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ROZIC READY

HAVING won the National Soccer League Northern Division championship, Sydney Croatia coach Vedran Rozic has set his team to win the Top Five series and then the National title.

But things must proceed without the on-field expertise of Rozic himself thanks to the cheekbone fracture he suffered in the game against Marconi.

Sydney Croatia meets St George in Sunday's major semi-final, with Marconi and Sydney Olympic clashing in the minor event.

Yesterday Rozic said: "Marijan Kovacic has played very well in my position in central defence.

"On Sunday we will have Ante Rumora back to join him.

"When you look at it, Wally Savor and Gra-

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ham Jennings have had exceptionally good seasons, so our defence will be hard to pierce."

The wily veteran nominated David Ratcliffe, Graeme Fletcher and young Scott Ollerenshaw as three St George players whose efforts will have to be countered.

He will order his team to go all out for victory.

The idea is to have the whole week to recharge their batteries by not having to fight it out in the Wednesday night preliminary final.



EXCITEMENT!

Ian Gray (Marconi) and Robert Hooker (Sydney City) in a tussle as Joe Watson and David Lowe lend their support in action from the brilliant game at St George Stadium on Sunday.

\$2 MILL FOR 4 YEARS!

AFTER being on the brink of despair, it seems that the National Soccer League has cracked a hefty \$2,000,000 sponsorship from West End Brewery for a four year contract from next season.

Negotiations have been carried on at the company's Adelaide head office.

Whilst West End will not confirm or deny the position at this stage, the signs are certainly there.

The securing of such a

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large sponsorship will be a feather in the caps of those who have handled the negotiations.

However there is still every reason for the clubs who have been dumped to take action to retain the two divisions.

Any sponsor who is trying to sell his products Australia-wide would relish the chance of exposure in Brisbane, Newcastle, Wollongong and Canberra.

Soccer cannot be allowed to be killed off in these areas despite what some NSL execu-

tives may think.

NSW helped Victoria from dying completely when it began the NSL - Victoria should now be standing on its own feet together with two Adelaide clubs.

The clubs who came into the League rescued it from a \$450,000 deficit. They should receive proper consideration in today's climate.

The Sydney clubs within the six should join in and rattle their sabres to protect Soccer on the East Coast, otherwise the future of the code will be grim indeed despite any major sponsorship.

BERGERS SECURE \$60,000 SPONSOR

HEIDELBERG UNITED has just snared a sponsorship valued at \$60,000 over a period of two years with a leading Australian building and

construction materials supplier.

K.H.Stramit Limited is the Company involved and will supply building materials for construction of a new grandstand at Heidelberg's home ground in Melbourne, Olympic Village.

Heidelberg's President, Mr Peter Tsaklis, told ASW last night from Melbourne that his club is delighted with the arrangements.

K.H.Stramit has been associated with Heidelberg since 1982.

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\$405,000 FOR INDOOR SOCCER

AUSTRALIA's major Indoor Soccer League, the "JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES NATIONAL INDOOR LEAGUE" announced sponsorships totalling \$405,000 at a special launching function held at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

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A team of hard-working officials, headed up by Sydney's Joe Brent and Nick Nicolopoulos, toiled over the last 12 months to assemble this most impressive financial package.

The special launch was attended by John Brown, the Federal Minister of Sport, Recreation and Tourism. A syndication of sponsors was unveiled which included:

James Hardie Industries, major League sponsor.

Buffalo Sports, Ansett Airlines, SBS-TV, Commonwealth Bank (special sponsors for Schoolboys Indoor Soccer).

The ten major clubs forming the Indoor League also announced their sponsors which include:

Buffalo Sports, Buffa-

lo Tools, The City Club from Canberra, Ampol Australia, Olympic Hunt and Baird, United Sports Corporation (makers of Lotto Sports shoes), Yeates Enterprises, Mike Wrublewski (owner of Sydney Tornados), Australian Sports Commission, Department of Aboriginal Affairs and the Australian Institute of Sport.

At the function, Mr John Brown, who is a patron of the Indoor Soccer League, presented all sponsors with magnificent plaques as a special memento of their involvement and support to the League.

A video presentation of matches was presented to the guests attending by SBS-TV's Head of Sport, Mr

David Leonard.

SBS-TV will cover many of the League's matches which will go to air from October 28th.

The televised Indoor League matches will be presented by former World Cup captain Johnny Warren, with commentary by Andy Paschalidis and Jim Roberts.

★ QUEENSLAND SPECIAL

★ 3 big news pages
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The Editor

ON SATURDAY the NSW Minister for Sport, Recreation and Tourism, the Hon Michael Cleary, officially opened the NSW Soccer Federation's Valentine Park complex at Parklea.

This marvellous project provides facilities for the development of Soccer and a variety of other sports which includes basketball and athletics.

The NSW Soccer Federation supplied the land and a deal of capital and the NSW Government has followed up with tremendous financial support.

Many people have put their time and talent into the job, which began in the early days of organised youth coaching in Sydney.

Whilst the names of these enthusiasts is legion, the man who first put his shoulder to the wheel and had the vision that was needed right throughout the whole exercise was Charles Valentine.

Vision is all too often a rare commodity but fortunately for the future of Soccer, Charles Valentine possesses it in large measure.

Early in the piece his talents were often unrecognised, but nothing was allowed obscure the view of what could ultimately be accomplished.

A continual run of field days staged by the farm machinery industry accomplished much of the ground layout and subsidiary roadwork and landscaping.

And so the project kept rolling on.

Unfortunately in a way, the property as it appears today will be taken for granted as groups of young sports people utilise its facilities.

Perhaps they cannot be expected to fully appreciate the blood, sweat and tears as well as the money which has gone into its layout and construction.

However it is an ongoing task for today's administrators to keep pointing this out, as well as ensuring that the users appreciate that they must treat the property with respect and care.

Discipline is a quality that must be insisted upon from the coming generation.

Apart from the youth area, the NSW Soccer Federation is keen to have teams up to the National squad housed at Parklea for training.

Until now the operation of the property in the interest of thousands of players has been rendered economic by the free labour provided by Mrs Joan Valentine and the other keen voluntary helpers.

The experience of people such as Eric Arnell has ensured that building supervisory costs have been minimised.

They deserve the thanks of all in the game. However it is understood that there have been cost over-runs on completion of the buildings.

Current rates of overdraft interest are well known to the community at large, so it takes little imagination to envisage the magnitude of the problem.

It is vital for the complete success of the Valentine Park project that this situation be brought under complete control as quickly as possible.

The future of Valentine Park cannot be allowed to haemorrhage away.

But... a chicken farm to one of Australia's top sports training complexes! Congratulations to all concerned, what a marvellous effort it is.

EXTENDED CONTRACT FOR RALE RASIC

THE decision last week by the APIA club to sign coach Rale Rasic on a long-term four year contract is one that must be applauded. It displays a wise trend of thought from the Lambert Park club.



APIA coach Rale Rasic is seen speaking to Polish recruit, Janusz Baran

By successfully guiding APIA into next year's restructured NSL competition, coach Rasic did everything that was expected from him during his first season at the helm.

OK, so they didn't make the playoffs, but to look at the situation in a realistic fashion. This was not the major objective and had it happened, it would have been a bonus in Rasic's first term.

The real mission, planned by Rasic and club president Nick Papallo at the start of the year, was to win entry into next year's new setup.

And for them it was 'mission accomplished'.

This is the first stage of a long term plan to get this fine club back on top of the pile, where it used to be.

Also it has to be remembered that this year's success was accomplished on a minimum budget and down to earth commonsense planning, which in itself is somewhat of a novelty

in these trying days of Soccer inflation.

The APIA decision to import Polish stars Edward Lorens and Janusz Baran has also proved a wise one and has paid off tenfold.

This will also pay greater dividends in the year ahead when these two highly skilled performers really settle down to their new surroundings.

For no matter how good a player is or where he comes from, it takes time to settle in a new country and produce top form.

Having watched APIA on numerous occasions this year, I am convinced they are travelling down the right track and one that leads to success.

They have the makings and basis of a fine team and one that is destined to recapture the glories of the past.

The cornerstone of the outfit is of course, their brilliant defender Arno Bertogna, ever-green midfielder Terry

Butler and imports Lorens and Baran.

Here is a quartet that is professional in every sense of the word and one that can help the younger players in the club reach the heights expected from them.

However, by the same token, there is still a missing ingredient in this present APIA setup and something that will have to be rectified before the start of next season.

It is in the striking department, where a couple of goal snatchers have to be found.

It is also no secret that coach Rasic will be working on this problem throughout the summer months.

He is also confident of finding the solution.

As a former coach of the Leichhardt club, it's really gratifying to watch their present fight to reach the top echelon once again.

For here is a club with a proud tradition and

one that is highly respected throughout the Australian Soccer scene.

APIA also knows how to look after its players and this in turn, commands club loyalty to the highest degree.

This point is proved beyond the shadow of a doubt by the fact that the brilliant Terry Butler has put in 23 years service in the colours of the APIA club.

Over the years many fine players have graced the maroon and blue of APIA.

Outstanding performers such as Wee Jimmy Rooney, Pat Hughes, Stan Ackerley, George Blues and Archie Blue, Peter Ollerton, Billy Rogers, Fil Bottalico, Ernie Campbell, John Giacometti, Cliff Van Blerk, Joe Marston and Willie Wallace were there, to name but a few.

The list could go on and on like a roll of



TOM ANDERSON takes a look at APIA's past and future.

honor.

But, like all great clubs, APIA does not live in the past and it's the future that is now paramount in the Lambert Park thinking and planning.

A future that now looks bright and rosy.

And, with the APIA show well and truly back on the road again, Australian club Soccer in general can only prosper!



Prior to the 1967 NSW State League Grand Final, Willie Wallace (left), Steve Pollard (centre) and Jimmy Rooney (right) of APIA share a joke.

LANDMARK DECISION FOR STATE LEAGUE

THE decision by big Winfield Socceroo defender Robbie Dunn to sign a new one year contract with relegated NSL club Adelaide Hellas is one of courage and character!

For there is little doubt that in taking this action, the straight shooting Dunn has put his immediate international career on the line.

Unless there is a strange turnaround in NSL circles, and of course this is not beyond the realms of possibility, Hellas will be playing in the South Australian State League next year.

And the million dollar question is, whether or not national coach Frank Arok will select a state league player in his setup?

The truth of the matter in the Dunn decision is that the player is fed up packing his bags and moving house from state to state.

He only moved back to South Australia from Victoria at the start of the year and it's very upsetting for his family to carry on in this fashion.

A continual shift from state to state is just not

fair on his wife or indeed himself or his employers outside football.

And being a man of honour, Dunn has decided to stay put - at least for a year, to give it a further go with Hellas.

I have no doubt in my mind whatsoever that state league football will not be detrimental to the big lad's international career.

For here's a player who is completely dedicated to his profession and a man who at all times looks after his fitness and well being to the limit.

Indeed there is little doubt that Robbie Dunn will remain as physically fit in the South Australian State League as he was in the NSL.

At 26 years of age he's a young man, and there

is no way his reflexes will be dulled in what is regarded a 'minor league'.

Indeed to the contrary, they could even become sharper, without all the scheduled air travel in the NSL next year!

This move by Big Robbie could well have paved the way for more established stars to play

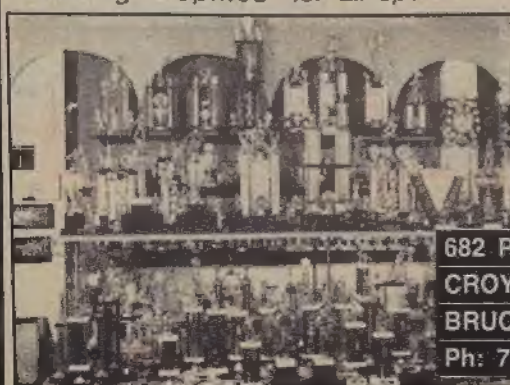
in state league football next year.

The big lad's got to be admired for his stand in putting his family first and his Socceroo career on the line.

It's an enthralling situation and one no doubt, all football fans throughout Australia will be watching with more than a great deal of interest.

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SBS-TV SCREENS MANCHESTER UNITED

IN 1968 Manchester United created history when they defeated the mighty Portuguese club Benfica to become the very first English club to win the European Cup.

The star-studded United met Portugal on that cold winter evening at Wembley Stadium, and again entered their name in the record books.

But the Red Devils had missed becoming the first-ever British club to snare the European Cup by just 12 months.

That honour had fallen to Scottish club Celtic, managed by Jock Stein, who took the Cup the previous year by halting the crack Italian side, Inter Milan.

CLASSIC

On Saturday SBS-TV, Australia's leading Soccer network, will bring back a flood of memories of that great occasion.

The "Nostalgia Soccer Series" presentation will prove to viewers just why the Manchester United vs Benfica clash is regarded as a classic the world over.

SBS-TV's Soccer presenter, Les Murray, told us last night:

"In my view this Manchester United side is easily the best British team seen in the post-war era. For me it was also the best European

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team since the great Real Madrid.

"In this Cup final clash our viewers will see two brilliant, highly skilled teams providing spectacular entertainment. The suspense is enormous for the whole 120 minutes."

When I asked Les what SBS-TV viewers should look for in Saturday's screening above all else, he quickly replied:

"Two things in particular. The first is the magnificent spirit of sportsmanship in which this Soccer classic was played.

"And secondly, the superb display that Manchester United's left winger John Aston gave, as well as the bril-



George Best.

liant performance of Benfica's midfielder-captain, Coluna."

But it was also a very special night for a tall, slender youngster named Brian Kidd. Kidd had gained experience in United's reserve side in the mid-sixties, alongside Ray Baartz, later to become Australia's lethal World Cup

striker. Kidd was celebrating his 19th birthday and had been called up by United's legendary manager, Sir Matt Busby, to replace the injured Denis Law.

And what a night it was for Kidd.

DISASTER

Just ten years previously, Busby had seen his dreams completely shattered when so many of his very young United team had perished in the tragic Munich plane crash.

Bobby Charlton and Billy Foulkes along with Busby survived this major disaster.

Manchester United in those years was revered by fans spread right across the entire world.

And that was the attitude that prevailed in 1968.

Now, ten years later,

Sir Matt was just one match away from his life-long ambition. And that was to bring the prestigious European Cup to England for the very first time.

SUPER STARS

The curtain went up at Wembley that night to unveil a galaxy of super-stars to the 100,000 crowd.

The star performers slowly marched out and onto the pitch.

Benfica came out with their super-stars - captain Coluna, Eusebio, Torres, Augusto and Simoes.

Then Manchester United appeared and the cathedral-like silence was transformed into a thunderous roar. Stepney, Brennan, Dunne, Czerand, Faulkes, Stiles, Best, Kidd, Aston, Charlton and Sadler spilled out from the tunnel.

Italian Cocetto Lo Belo refereed this tremendous duel.

The battle raged in splendid spirit and after 90 minutes the protagonists had scored one each.

Three more went in during extra time as the

Red Devils came home

On Saturday at 6pm on SBS-TV, you will have the rare opportunity to relive those five goals scored 18 years

ago at Wembley.

Manchester United's win saw the European Cup come to England for the first time. It was just 24 months after Sir

Alf Ramsey's national team had collected the World Cup for England - for the first time as well - in the very same stadium.



BOBBY CHARLTON holds the English League Championship Trophy, the year before the European Cup Final. Also in the picture are Sir Matt Busby and Denis Law.

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WHO WILL WIN THE ROTHMANS MEDAL?

RAY GATT, the Sydney Morning Herald's chief Soccer writer, takes a look at the many prospects from the Northern Division competition for this year's National Rothmans Medal. The medal was inaugurated last year and was won by Sydney Croatia's Jim Patikas, who could not defend his title because he is now playing in Greece. Carlo del Porto will next week sum up the Southern Division's hopes.

GRAHAM ARNOLD, Sydney Croatia's explosive goalscorer, is poised to give his club its second successive Rothmans Medal success.

I believe Arnold has been the form player of the Northern Division competition and he is my choice to join former team-mate Jim Patikas as a winner of this much sought after award.

Of course, picking the winner of the medal is no easy task. The experts in Sydney have not had a chance to see too many Southern Division matches and vice versa.

This year's medal presentation will be held in Melbourne and is sure to be as big a success as the first one at the Sheraton Wentworth in Sydney last year.

The award is judged by the Soccer referees, who vote on a points basis of three, two, one for each game in the Northern and Southern Division. Players sent off during the season are ineligible.

Although I believe Arnold will win the title, I still consider that there are at least a dozen players in with a chance as well.

The Northern Division competition has been a tight, hard fought one. The teams, for most of the season, have been bunched with many shock results and this should lead to some interesting voting from the referees.

For mine, Arnold has been one of the most consistent players this season. He is the competition's leading scorer — not a bad effort considering he has been alternating from out and out striker to a deep-lying midfield position.

One thing in his favour is that he has a relatively "clean" image with the referees, which is something that should

be taken into account. Rarely, if ever, do you see Arnold in trouble with the whistle blowers.

It has been a great year for the 23-year-old, who has capped a fine season by winning a permanent spot in Frank Arok's Socceroo team.

He was one of the few players to make a real impression during the ill-fated three-match series against the visiting Czechoslovakian national team in August.

Local fans should take every opportunity to see him in action over the next few weeks because it could be some time before we see him again. At the end of the season he will be heading for France where he will have several trials.

It seems a formality that he will be snapped up by an interest French club.

While I rate Arnold the favourite, one cannot overlook the prospects of David Ratcliffe (St George), Tony Franken and Augusto Palacios (Canberra), Arno Bertogna and Terry Butler (Apia), Robbie Wheatley, David Lowe, Paul Carter (Marconi), Ray Vlietstra (Wollongong), Jean-Paul de Marigny, Joe Watson (Sydney City), Robbie Slater (Blacktown), Vicente Estavillo, Gary Meier, Gary Phillips (Sydney Olympic), Sean Ingham, Ian Bannan (Newcastle), Petar Zrillic (Canterbury) and Attilio Carbone (Inter Monaro).

Of that lot, Ratcliffe, Franken, Bertogna, Wheatley, Vlietstra, de Marigny, Slater, Estavillo and Ingham stand out.

Ratcliffe, a key member of the Socceroos, rarely gets the proper acknowledgement for his efforts in the St George defence.

It is only when he is not playing for the Socceroos or the Saints does one realise just how important he is to the make-up of either side as shown when he missed St George's first round 7-0 thrashing at the hands of Sydney City.

Franken, without doubt, is the best 'keeper in the Northern Division and his efforts for Canberra have been outstanding this season.

Former Socceroo 'keeper Terry Greedy says Tony is the best in Australia.

Franken, rightly at

this stage anyway, is second fiddle to Jeff Olver as the Socceroo custodian. But, he will get his chance sooner or later.

Just as Ratcliffe is the mainstay of the Saints defence so, too, is Bertogna for Apia. He has had one of his best ever seasons with the club.

Strong in the air and a powerful defender, Arno's performances have been consistently good. Apia coach Rale Rasic would not swap him for any other defender in the country.

Wheatley took some time to settle in with his new club Marconi but, he has certainly come to the fore recently.

Now playing in his more suited position as left-back, Robbie has grown in confidence with every match this season. He is not afraid to make overlapping runs and his defence has been strong.

Vlietstra could be the dark horse of the awards. Although he plays for a team regarded as unfashionable, the blond-haired youngster has really put together some tremendous performances.

De Marigny's form this season has been hard to fault. He seems to have made the City right full-back spot his own.

Jean-Paul has really used his speed, strength and ability to cross the ball to his strikers to the best advantage.

He was on the verge of selection in the Socceroo squad this season, so he is obviously highly thought of.

Although Slater has missed a couple of games this year through injury, his form in the matches he has played in for Blacktown has been exceptional.

Unfortunately, he has found goals hard to come by, but he has created numerous opportunities for his support men.

Estavillo has been one of the classiest players in the competition and his skill is sure to have attracted the notice of the referees, especially in a season which has been noted for its rough and tumble style.

Ingham has been dynamic with Newcastle and his speed has really tested the defences of many a team this season. He has improved with every game.

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE PRIZE UP FOR GRABS



DAVID RATCLIFFE



ROBBIE WHEATLEY



TONY FRANKEN



ARNO BERTOGNA



PAUL CARTER



JEAN-PAUL DE MARIGNY



RAY VLIETSTRA



ROBBIE SLATER



DAVID LOWE



GRAHAM ARNOLD in action.



ROBBIE SLATER, linch-pin of the Blacktown attack.



JIM PATIKAS, last year's medal winner

Sydney Croatia Thru' The Lens



ASW presents a pictorial tribute to the Northern Division Champions



CLICKS FROM SYDNEY CROATIA

- 1—Shane Clinch
- 2—Dave Rezo and Graham Arnold celebrate a goal.
- 3—Zeljko Jurin explains what happened.
- 4—Wally Savor
- 5—Graham Jennings
- 6—Jurin
- 7—Zarko Odzakovic tangles with Marshall Soper
- 8—Steve Watson
- 9—Vedran Rozic, Marljani Kovacic and Wally Savor in defence for Croatia
- 10—Rozic rounds up Frank Farina



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Marconi's David Lowe

MARCONI GET UP IN A THRILLER

DESPITE a classy hat-trick by Sydney City striker Frank Farina, Marconi won their way through the elimination semi-final by virtue of a dramatic penalty shoot-out.

After being down 3-0 the Fairfielders courageously fought their way back to 3-all and then took the match 4-3 on penalties.

Coach Les Scheinflug was buoyant after the game but stated: "It's getting all a bit much for my heart. The last three years in a row we've had high scoring semi's go into extra-time and I can't take much more of this."

"Really, the spirit and commitment we showed in the second half was something else."

Marconi could not have asked for a worse start as Farina opened his account in the seventh minute when a Joe Watson free-kick was nodded down by John Kosmina and the ball was stuck away by his strike partner.

City were always in command and never let their opponents get into the match. The partnership of Farina and Kosmina had never looked so good and Watson was turning on the skill in the middle of the park.

It was Kosmina who did the work for his sides' second goal in the 25th minute as he jinked down the wing and cut the ball back for the once again unmarked Farina to slide the ball in.

Marconi came out for the second half looking like a team that had been on the end of an explosive tongue lashing from Scheinflug.

Their commitment was something to behold. Rod Brown came out breathing fire and continually ran at the Slickers' defence.

As City soaked up the pressure there was always the chance that they would break on the counter, which they did to go three up.

Abbas Saad pounced on a loose pass and sent a long ball into the path of Farina. Marconi's de-

BY FRANK COLETTA

fenders were caught flat-footed on the halfway and Farina lobbed the ball from 30 metres over the advancing Bruce James.

On the half-hour, though, Marconi had pegged a goal back through David Lowe. From 22 metres the little striker struck with his left foot and buried the ball into the corner of the net.

A Robbie Wheatley cross was headed goal-ward by Mark Jankovics but he was denied by 18-year-old debutant 'keeper Steve Garamy. Brown headed the rebound and as the ball was about to cross the line another great save prevented a goal — only problem was, the save came from the hand of sweeper Alex Robertson.

Lowe, who had put his side back into the match, stepped up and struck the ball meekly and Garamy obligingly saved.

Garamy had a mixed day. His saving of that penalty and a couple later in the shoot-out should have made him a hero but the rest of his work was not so impressive, especially with the crossed ball.

Two minutes later Wheatley zeroed in another of his great crosses and Marconi's 'supersub' Mark Jankovics steered a fine header into the net.

Marconi then threw men forward at will and completed one of the great comebacks in modern day Australian football with a minute to go.

A long throw from Ian Gray was headed on by Jankovics. Garamy spilt the ball under pressure from Brown and the other substitute Geoff Gunning drove in amid a mass of bodies.

The teams set themselves for the inevitable drama-filled penalties... and drama aplenty there was.

It all began with Kosmina having his spot-kick magnificently saved by Bruce James, diving full-length to his right to deny a well struck shot.

Then Paul Carter added even more anxiety when he had his effort deflected onto the cross-bar by young Garamy.

Watson made it 1-0 and Peter Tredinnick levelled. Then Graeme Patterson tried to put a hole in the net as he ran in and blasted his shot only to be denied also by the inspired James.

Ian Gray put Marconi 2-1 ahead and Saad equalised. Lowe put his earlier miss behind him and put his side in the lead 3-2.

Gomez made it 3-3 and Jankovics then stepped up to put Marconi into the minor semi-final. But, to his dismay his shot was saved by Garamy.

With his side given another chance, Slickers' skipper Murray Barnes was next up in the sudden-death period of penalties.

Inexplicably his effort was also saved and his opposite, Tony Henderson sealed his sides' victory as he slammed his penalty in off the keeper.

Eddie Thomson accepted the defeat graciously and commended Marconi on their comeback. "Marconi played well. We let them back into the game but they took the chances."

"You'd usually fancy your chances at 3-0! I certainly did, but a couple of silly mistakes let us down. I'm glad though that we showed everybody that we can play really good football. There was some fabulous stuff today."

MARCONI: James, Carter, Sterray, Henderson, Wheatley, Mason (Jankovics 59), Gray, Tredinnick, Lowe, Brown, El All (Gunning 85). **SYDNEY CITY:** Garamy, Hooker, Robertson, de Marigny (Saad 37), Barnes, Watson, Souness, Farina, Kosmina, Lee (Patterson 81). **Crowd:** 6946. **Referee:** Stuart Metlings.



Michael O'Shea (St George) and Peter Katholos (Olympic) playing the ball, with plenty of support coming in.



Pedro Ricoy and Peter Raskopoulos on the ball, with Craig Moffitt at the ready and John O'Shea in reserve.

EFFICIENT ST GEORGE TOO

A competent display of self-disciplined and highly efficient football saw St George comfortably through to the major semi-final of the NSL playoffs when they downed Sydney Olympic 1-0 at St George Stadium on Sunday.

BY TOM ANDERSON.

Saints' astute coach Frank Arok had his team organised to a tee and they displayed a brand of percentage football that never really gave Olympic a look in.

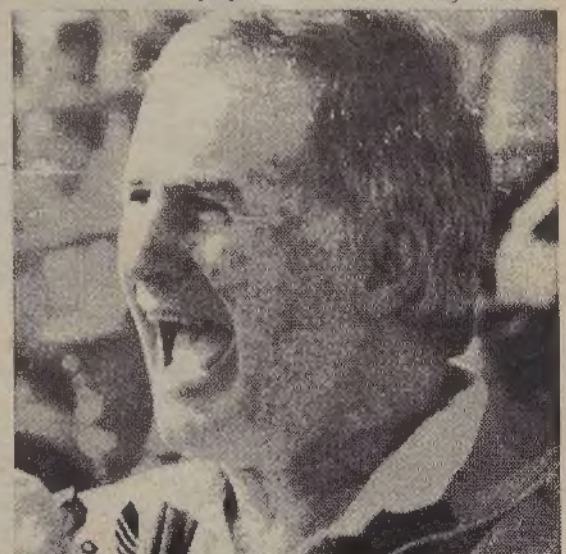
In fact, it would be true to state that Saints' goalkeeper Terry Greedy will blush when he picks up his winning bonus this week — he had so little to do during the 90 minutes.

Before this match, coach Arok spent hours

and hours in front of the television screen doing his homework and watching video tapes of Olympic in action.



The maestro was so well versed in Olympic's play and tactical ploys, he had every one of



St George coach Frank Arok

ADCITY FIGHT BACK

IN THE second match of last Sunday's double-header, Footscray twice took the lead and twice had it pegged back only to be pipped 3-2 in a somewhat scrappy affair.

BY CARLO DEL PORTO

The match promised plenty because on show were two of the most skilful sides in the competition.

Footscray went into the game without having won a game in eight weeks.

Footscray struck first when a Zravko Lujic cross was headed on by Vlado Stosic and fell perfectly for Vlado Bozinovski, who easily found the back of the net.

Lujic in particular was looking dangerous and he was being marked closely by Adelaide's Neville Flounders. In fact it was obvious that Footscray's strikers

were all being tagged closely.

Adelaide coach, Zoran Matic, was only too aware of the capabilities of the Footscray line-up which had seen them finish just one point behind the Southern Division champions Brunswick-Juventus.

The steady rain did not help matters but the first half was generally scrappy and the play was bottled up in the middle of the pitch.

Adelaide took till the 37th minute to equalise and they did with a de-

lightful goal from Charlie Villani, who had got on to the end of a cross from Flounders. Villani coolly sent 'keeper Zoran Nikotovic the wrong way and then slotted the ball through a packed Footscray goal-line to breathe life into the game.

In the second half, Footscray again took an early lead when in the 49th minute Ernie Tapai picked out Vlatko Belic and his seemingly innocuous shot was going wide until City defender Alex Tobin inadvertently helped the ball into his own net.

The resilient visitors again equalised just four

minutes later when a cross from Tobin was met courageously by Joe Mullen, whose header beat Nikitovic, who attempted in vain to cut off the cross.

The game was still patchy as neither side was ever able to dominate for any length of time.

In the 70th minute, Adelaide had the opportunity to take the lead for the first time in the match.

Mullen was brought down by fullback Rudi Barjaktarevic and referee Gary Power had no hesitation pointing to the penalty spot. Sergio Melta's first attempt was saved but the referee ordered a re-take when he adjudged Nikitovic had moved.

With his second

OLYMPIC AIRWAYS SOCCER LEAGUE ROUND UP



Craig Moffitt (St George) and Peter Raskopoulos (Sydney Olympic) huffing and puffing in the preliminary semi-final at St George Stadium.

TOUGH AND DISCIPLINED

their moves counteracted — some of them before they even took place!

Saints completely dominated in midfield where John O'Shea, Pedro Ricoy and Craig Moffitt starred.

This talented trio — at times bolstered by the hard working Peter Petkovski and Andy Koczka — completely snuffed out the Olympic engine room.

For Olympic in this department, only Peter Raskopoulos looked the part but for most of the match he was left to plough a lone furrow without any real assistance.

Saints were never in real trouble at the back and the brilliant David Ratcliffe had everything

under control at all times.

In contrast, the Olympic defence, without Tony Dakos, were very unsure of themselves and never looked comfortable.

Indeed, it was a mix-up in this department that allowed big Andy Koczka to get the all-important goal for Saints in the 17th minute.

While the Olympic defenders dithered, Koczka nipped in to score easily.

Up front, Koczka proved a constant source of worry to the Olympic defence and was well supported by Graeme Fletcher and Peter Petkovski.

The only Olympic striker to catch the eye, was young Chris Kalantzis, but in the end even he was completely overpowered by the Saints defence.

Olympic's wayward star Marshall Soper did not play in this match and his presence was sadly missed.

Soper is one player who can cause any defence a problem and has the ability to win a game off his own bat.

This was an ingredient sadly lacking in the Olympic makeup on Sunday.

All in all, a fine and thoroughly deserved victory for Saints.

Here indeed was a side that knew where it was going and more importantly — how to get there.

It may not have been a barnstorming victory,



but it was one that was thoroughly planned, worked for and made to happen, in a manner that usually brings success in top five playoffs such as these.

ST GEORGE: Greedy: Steen, R O'Shea, Ratcliffe, M.O'Shea; J.O'Shea, Ricoy, Moffitt; Petkovski, Koczka, Fletcher.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier; Rogers, Coady, Brandt, Spanoudakis; Phillips, Raskopoulos, Estavillo; Petalis (Zavras 71), Katholos (Chilas 80), Kalantzis.

REFEREE: Bill Monteverde (Queensland). CROWD: 6946.



Heidelberg's Jeff Oliver



Heidelberg's Alan Hunter

SUNSHINE GET A SILVER LINING

BY CARLO DEL PORTO

IN the elimination final of the Southern Division National League play-offs Sunshine George Cross defeated Heidelberg 2-1 thereby setting up a meeting on the weekend with Footscray JUST, who went down 3-2 in their qualifying game with Adelaide City Juventus.

facing an early elimination and, unfortunately for them, their great struggle was to prove fruitless in the end.

A disappointed Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey said after the game: "Under the circumstances we played fairly well but I was upset that instead of my team using the flanks we continually used battering ram tactics of playing through the middle and were shut out time and again."

Of his immediate plans for the future Garvey added: "Three years is a long time to be with one club but until the Dockery Cup is over I won't be making a statement as to my intentions next year."

It seems highly likely that Garvey will not be the Bergers' coach come 1987, but his services will surely be sought after in what promises to be a hectic off-season period in Melbourne.

SUNSHINE: Keogh, Campbell, Partridge (Innes), James, Richardson, Faulkner, McLaren, Gilder, Milton, Bain, Markovski. HEIDELBERG: Oliver, Katakidis (Valentine), Hunter, Salemidis, Wilson, Deligiannis, Tsolakis, Lucchese, Kanessoulis, Ousalkas, Byrne (Anastasiadis).

One exception was the fine save made by George Cross 'keeper Sean Keogh from a Peter Tsolakis shot right on half-time.

The second half began in fine style for the Bergers when in the first minute Paul Wilson's cross found Deligiannis and on this occasion his well placed header eluded Keogh to put his side back on level terms.

Their joy was short-lived, however, when five minutes later from a free-kick Noel Mitten drove home a splendid goal after Roger Bain's earlier shot had rebounded off the crossbar.

From this point until the final whistle both teams became relentless in their approach and the result was an exciting finale full of end to end action.

Heidelberg were well aware that they were

Adelaide now face Southern Division champions Brunswick Juventus at home with a place in the divisional Grand Final at stake.

In the cut-throat first game last Sunday the Bergers showed why they are a club renowned for their fighting spirit and courage. They were beaten but far from disgraced.

Not only did they take the park minus proven competitors Steve Marley and Con Pappas, who were both serving suspensions and the injured Doug Brown and Ian McKie but they fielded an all-together inexperienced team including young Darren Byrne making his full OASL debut.

Heidelberg missed a golden chance early on when from just metres out Nick Deligiannis shot weakly with the Sunshine defence out of position.

George Cross left-back John Campbell showed no such mercy in the 15th minute when after a great solo run down the left-flank. He let fly with a sizzling shot which flew past 'keeper Jeff Oliver into the back of the net.

Heidelberg reacted quickly and pushed men forward but Sunshine were never put off from playing their own game.

In fact last Sunday proved that any criticisms of Sunshine as a defensively minded side are unfounded and they displayed an exciting brand of attacking football.

Half chances galore were created during the first 45 minutes and at times it was more luck than anything else that prevented many opportunities from being converted into goals.

TO WIN

attempt, Melta made no mistake and Adelaide now led 3-2 to the disgust of Footscray players and supporters, who were outraged by the decision.

From the stands the decision appeared correct and it was noticeable that the penalty had given the visitors the initiative as well as causing Footscray to become a rattled and desperate side.

Adelaide held firm till the end and now play Brunswick-Juventus in the all-important showdown next Sunday at home.

FOOTSCRAY: Nikitovic; Petrovski, Barjaktarevic, Karic, Belic, Tapal, Stolic, Latla (Gurovic), Bozinovicki, Spink, Lujic.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally; Shillabeer, Tobin, Nyakohus, Flounders, Melta, Sandtrac, Villani, Mullen, Maxwell, Vidmar.

Referee: G.Power.



Footscray's Vlado Stolic

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THE GLOVES ARE OFF WITH TERRY GREEDY

AFTER a valiant bid to avert relegation from the National League, Newcastle finally lost their battle. But, as has been the case throughout their time in the league, they remained competitive to the last-kick.

Not even torrential rain could dampen the spirits of the large vocal crowd that turned out at Adamstown Sports Ground to witness the final battle for survival and lend their support to the cause.

And lend their support they certainly did. For ninety minutes the game swung from end to end with both teams determined to attack at every opportunity. Unfortunately it was not to be Newcastle's night and the fight for survival failed.

This present side is an excellent team, with the players giving their all for a victory.

Those supporters who have followed the progress of the Newcastle team this year will certainly testify to their ability and team spirit. It was sad to be part of the team responsible for finalising their fate for next year.

The number of players at present playing in the league for Sydney clubs who owe their development to the

coaches and competitions of the Newcastle area is proof positive of the influence the Hunter area has had on the game in this country.

At the completion of our game last Saturday night the crowd, to a man, stood up and applauded both teams off the ground, although they were understandably disappointed.

Saints had just doomed their team to the State League next year and the supporters of the local side were still able to show their sportsmanship and appreciation for an excellent game.

Never before have I had the pleasure of witnessing such a fine sporting gesture as that displayed by these supporters. They are to be congratulated for the way in which they accepted the result.

The National League will be the poorer for losing a team and supporters of the calibre of those in attendance last week. I only hope



TERRY GREEDY

their return to the top league will be speedy.

Several weeks ago when questioned by Les Murray, on Soccerama, regarding Saints' chances of avoiding relegation I replied that I was sure Saints would not only gain a place in the 1987 competition but had the ability to play a major role in the Top Five Series.

This seemed to amuse Les as he was unable to stop from chuckling at my statement.

I'm sure he's not laughing now. At the completion of the competition we finished equal second on points with Olympic, meaning we gained two chances of making the grand

final.

In the weeks to come hopefully the Saints will be able to advance to the grand final. And just maybe the journalist from a prominent morning newspaper who wrote that "the League is in a poor state when a team like St George can be sitting in third place" will find reasons to apologise for comments made in haste.

The make-up of next years league is virtually Sydney v Melbourne.

In hindsight the executive should have taken steps to safeguard against this type of dominance by structuring the criteria for qualification to next year's competition so that the national format was preserved.

How can the new set-up be promoted as a National League when all teams are based in Sydney, Melbourne and one from Adelaide?

In the past the winter competition has been unable to compete against the other codes for spectators, media space and time. There is nothing to suggest that the situation will change next year.



LES MURRAY — chuckled prematurely?

The only solution is to try Summer Soccer.

With only cricket as a major competitor there is bound to be more media support. Night games would provide the ideal opportunity for families to come along and support their favourite teams.

Ground conditions would be far better than what is available during winter and this would

lead to an improved standard in play.

Forward planning is needed to ensure the success of the league. A two year period (1988-89) should be tried to gauge the effect of the season change.

If the change does not appear to be working then nothing has been lost and a return to a winter competition would follow.

The game at present is not progressing and it is time for drastic measures. Maybe the change to summer is a drastic step but something must be done to further the game in Australia.

The one league format has not worked in the past. So why do we assume it will work in 1987. The only alternative is to give Summer Soccer a go.

— GREG RUSSELL —

QUEENSLAND STARS CLASH WITH CLUBS OVER INDOOR GAME

BRISBANE CITY's star import Kieran Cooper has clashed with the club over his right to play indoor Soccer.

Cooper, the Irishman who topped the NSL goalscoring stakes in

Queensland, was approached to play for Brisbane Buffalo in the National Indoor Soccer League.

A later showdown was avoided when Cooper was injured in the NSL match and was not fit to play in the next round of indoor

matches.

But one of Cooper's club-mates did — import visa player Roberto Lettieri.

And Ipswich United's Richie Barnard also has become involved along with Wynnum's Colin Simpson. With the season proper now all but

over, most clubs are set to turn a blind eye.

But the words of warning from the OSF is that if clubs are annoyed at their players risking injury in the indoor competition then any new contracts should be worded to outline clearly their position with indoor Soccer.

Two weeks from the end of the season, Cooper sought to play with the Buffalos in Sydney on the Saturday and then return to Brisbane to play with City in the NSL on Sunday.

It seems a few clubs could heed that advice when negotiating new contracts during the off-season.

LIONS MIGHT ACCEPT THE WRIGHT OFFER

BRISBANE LIONS former young Soccer Danny Wright almost certainly will ask to be placed in the transfer list in his bid to stay in the National League.

BY GREG RUSSELL

Wright, 21, said he would not make a move until Lions' fate was irreversibly known. But he added, if the Richards side was forced to go back to the Queensland XXXX League, he would look South.

"I am extremely happy at Lions and the club has always looked after me, but I want to play in the top league in Australia and if that means moving then perhaps that is what I have to do," Wright said after Lions final round draw with Footscray.

"I will ask to be put on the transfer list and I will just see what offers come in."

The question that now begs to be answered is: "Will Sydney City field a team in next year's Super League?"

There are a lot of people in the know who will tell you that City will cease to exist at the end of the season.

So far, apart from Andrew Kemeny — who is solely in charge of the administrative side of Sydney City — there has been no response at all from any other influential members of the board of the Hakoah Club, which provides the finance for the Slickers to compete.

Wright has been one of Queensland's most outstanding players of the past four years, but bad luck has cost him gaining national recognition. His close skills game makes him a target for wild, desperate tackles which eventually take their toll.

A bad ankle injury kept him on the sidelines for more than 12 months last season and further bad luck struck this year just as he was reaching his best form.

With a Soccerroo call-up seemingly just around the corner, Wright was badly injured in a training accident with his coach Col Bennett. His other ankle was injured, which kept him out of the side for more than a month.

Despite missing nearly half the season, Wright put away eight NSL goals to be, with Brisbane City's Kieran Cooper, Queensland's leading NSL scorer.

National coach Frank Arok has always been interested in Wright and knows full well the problems the young striker has had with injuries.

"I like Danny but everytime I go to pick him (in the national squad) he is injured," Arok lamented recently.

Wright, who has so much to offer, is certain to be a hit in the south given a full season clear of knocks.

But the value of his transfer could cause considerable negotiation. No doubt Wright will be hoping to get away for around \$10,000 or less but Lions are unlikely to accept any figure under the \$16,000 they received from Heidelberg for Alan Hunter, who was a huge hit in his first year in the south.



DANNY WRIGHT ... worth \$16,000.

CITY WIN NANDA CUP

IT is ironic that with rumours strengthening that Sydney City are on the verge of folding, the club should finally broke through for its first knock-out cup victory.

BY RAY GATT

The Slickers beat Adelaide Hellas 3-2 in the Nanda Cup final at Hindmarsh Stadium on Wednesday night to add a trophy which has

eluded Eddie Thomson and his men since the inception of the national league.

Having dominated the premier competition for so long, it was hard to fathom why the Slickers

had been unable to win a national knock-out cup.

That, changed on Wednesday with Soccerroo team-mates Frank Farina and John Kosmina providing the foundation with all three goals between them.

Twice Hellas hit the front through Lou Hristodoulou but, like the

champions they are, the Slickers fought back each time.

The game had to go into injury time with Farina scoring twice in the last five minutes of the second period of extra time to give City the win and the Nanda Cup.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC YOUTH TRIALS

Sydney Olympic Soccer Club will soon conduct Youth League trials for their Under 13s, 14s, 15s and 16s squads.

Trials for the Under 13s and 14s commence Tuesdays, September 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and October 7th, from 5pm to 7pm.

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ADELAIDE CITY CLEANS UP THE POINTS AND FINANCES

ADELAIDE CITY look set for a bumper season in the new 14-team super league, thanks to finishing in their highest place in any year since they joined the national competition as founder members.

The third spot in the Southern Division, with a minimum squad, has impressed their supporters.

Although club president, Mr Charlie Caruso, is not prepared to make any official announcement at this stage, we believe City will kick off the new season with a clean financial sheet.

A top sports committee, and women's committee, has been working feverishly all season, and with Fairmont Homes, the club's main sponsor, putting up a dollar for dollar deal, the future looks cool.

"All I'm prepared to say at this stage is that we are looking good on the financial side for 1987, and we will release details at our annual general meeting," said Mr Caruso, a founder member of the National League executive.

Word is that several new sponsors are lining up to back City, who also have Boral and Adelaide Pest Control as major sponsors.

But despite the encouraging outlook, coach Zoran Matic is not looking to the club for a spending spree.

He admits he needs players after being stranded with only 12 for the final round against Heidelberg, but is not setting himself for a star hunt.

BY TOM MCKAIN

"Injuries and suspensions had us on the ropes for that final game, and we won because the players we had left fought all the way," he said.

"But obviously we must have a 16-man experienced squad to call on for 1987.

"We will be looking first to the SA State League.

"We want young stars who have ambition.

"We are not discounting interstate players — and there will be several after the axing of 10 clubs — but before we sign anyone they will have to join us for pre-season friendly games, and prove they have what we want."

With former Socceroo and City star Johnny Perin as the club's coaching co-ordinator, Matic has no worries about hassles over the



ZORAN MATIC

re-signing of this season's squad.

They were all put on two-year contracts, apart from veteran captain and full back Buggy Nyskohus.

But with a tremendous personal season — again — and the good run the team has had, Nyskohus says he is willing to play again, and at 37 is expected to be the sweeper rudder for the team next year.

While City is flying high, local rivals Hellas are on the outer.

Dumped from the initial list of 14 "super" clubs for next year, they had submitted an appeal to the National League to be included, as we went to press.

Hellas' appeal was based on being a founder member, and staking bigger claims than Melbourne Croatia and George Cross who would not claim the same support, ground facilities and financial stability."

While Hellas admit having had to reapply for the league twice, it did win the title in 1978, and were Cup finalists twice, including this season against Sydney City.



Dunn's shock decision to stay in Adelaide

SOCCEROO defender Robbie Dunn will remain with Adelaide Hellas — even if they go back to the SA State First Division, and despite the fact he had signed only a one-year contract with the club.

Threatened with being excluded from the new 14-team super league next year as they finished eighteenth on the ratings list, Hellas

BY TOM MCKAIN

still hopes to appeal its way back into the big-time.

But Dunn says he will stay with the club which gave him his first chance on the national scene.

"I made a commitment to them, and although my contract runs out at the end of the season, I have agreed to sign for another year, even if it means a season out of the National League," he said.



ROBBIE DUNN ... surprise decision.

"I still think I can hold my position in the Socceroo squad, and if I don't then I will take another crack at the national competition in 1988.

"Hopefully that will be with Hellas, because I'm sure, if they miss out next year, they will be able to gain promotion in the following season."

Dunn said that apart from loyalty to the club, he did not want to move house again.

"Going to Melbourne from Adelaide was bad enough, then moving again for this season was another trauma," he said.

"My wife and I could not face another move so soon."

Fellow Socceroo and Hellas defender Charlie Yankos is on a two-year contract, but as we went to press had made no comment about his future.

However, club president, Mr Frank Karagiannis repeated an earlier statement that no players would be sold.

He was also referring to striker Gary Ward, signed from Melbourne Croatia on a two-year contract.

But we believe he is interested in going to Sydney and does not want to play State League Soccer.

ASW's Johnny Warren has his say . . .

FIFA HAS GOOFED!

THOSE Soccer fans, myself among them, who were disappointed with certain aspects of the recent World Cup, will receive no joy from the latest FIFA position on controversial matters such as the penalty deciders and video support for referees.

Readers of AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY will be aware that I advocated a count-back system to replace the penalty shootout and also feel that referees need the support of video evidence in crucial decisions.

The count-back system, where drawn games are decided by the team with the best record going forward in the event of a drawn game after extra time, would also mean teams have to play for goals and wins in the earlier rounds.

FIFA feels differently as their articles in the recent FIFA News clearly illustrate.

"Substantial criticism regarding the taking of penalty kicks was levelled at FIFA and we must point out that, whilst nobody is happy over being eliminated on penalty kicks, none criticised the system when it was announced.

"One notices that the criticism of the system is often connected to the popularity of the team eliminated (Brazil, Mexico) and thus the reasons are of a more emotional than rational nature.

"FIFA has to start out from certain circumstantial obligations when drawing up a system.

"One of the most important constraints is the duration of the tournament which cannot be extended at free will.

"Another criterion is the equality of the chances among the teams which as a result puts replays way into the background.

"Lastly, one thing should not be overlooked, the penalty is a part of football. The participating athletes still constitute the deci-

sive factor in taking penalties, the ball and the foot remain in the game.

"FIFA will examine the system. We feel however that generally it has proven worthwhile. It is also not beneficial to the reputation of the World Cup if the system is being changed each time and finally a winner had to be determined from the second round games.

"The suspense creating factor was an essential and positive element of the championship."

Which all still does not convince me. The countback system is fairer, encouraging teams to "go for goals from game one" and enables the best teams to progress, not the lottery system of penalty kicks, 99% of which should be retaken anyhow if the laws of the game were strictly applied.

FIFA was equally

supportive of the no video argument as put forward by Helmut Kisser in the German magazine "Der Fussballtrainer" which in part says . . . "Television verdicts are attacks on the Laws of the Game".

"They are an attempt to manipulate them from outside and to undermine them.

"The referee in fact is a game participant, a part of it and its laws with the task to implement the laws and his decisions are to be accepted by the other game participants.

"His mistakes are included or to be included in the spirit of the game just as a misplaced pass from a midfielder or the miskick of a forward.

"The game demands from all participants quickness, determination and an overall view".

"These high standards are confronted with a corresponding high proportion of mistakes.

"The mistakes made by the players in a game surpass the ones of the



JOHNNY WARREN advocates use of countbacks and videos

referee by far.

"I do not believe that it would be desirable to see some day the field being bordered with video cameras and to know that up in the grandstand a jury was sitting in front of TV screens in order to give at the interval and at the end of the match the corrected result and who would give red and yellow cards over the loudspeaker" concludes the "No Video" argument.



Video could have been used in this case as Spain's MICHEL blasts the ball at goal against Brazil during the Mexican World Cup. The rebound off the bar went over the line but was only picked up through video replays.

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CHIT CHAT - Behind the scene at your club

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JUST a whisper, but in Adelaide they are saying John Margatilis will return to coach Hellas next year.

He had a spell with the SA club before heading back to Melbourne, where he is currently with South Melbourne after being in charge of Melbourne Juventus.

THE OASL spared LOUIS DOUNIS no mercy when the League's disciplinary committee handed down the toughest suspension in the 10-year history of the competition when they put the APIA striker out for four matches and placed him on a 12-month good behaviour bond, following his sending off against Marconi on August 31.

Dounis received the suspension following a lengthy meeting. It had been the second time he was sent off in 1986, the other time against Wollongong on May 25 where he was outed for three weeks.

CAMPBELLTOWN City, winner of the SA State League first division, showed plenty of confidence before the final round.

It already had champions T-shirts printed before the game, and produced them as the fans celebrated on the field and in the club-rooms.

FIFA referee Donald Campbell missed out on another first in his Soccer career the other week.

The SA whistler had been invited to be guest commentator for the Nanda Cup final between Adelaide Hellas and Sydney City — but was appointed to run one of the lines, so had decline.

MARCONI defender LEE STERREY believes the time is long overdue for the OASL to introduce a judiciary or tribunal system along the same lines as Rugby League and Aussie Rules.

Sterrey who was sent off against Sydney Olympic two weeks back claims the present set-up belongs "to the dark ages."

"The whole situation is a joke. I was told I had no right of appeal.

"Things like this just don't happen in the other football codes. It is about time Soccer started to take things more professionally."

HIGHLY qualified Casey de Bruin is not required by Blacktown City after four years as club coach.

De Bruin has done a magnificent job for the club. The parting of the ways follows hard on the appointment of former Soccerroo goalkeeper Allan Maher to look after the youth teams.

Blacktown District Soccer Football Association operates separately from Blacktown City, which has arranged a 50/50 support deal with the adjacent Granville Association.

Allan Maher has successfully coached Granville's junior representative teams in past seasons.

This season Blacktown City ran third overall in the NSW Youth League to Marconi and Sydney Olympic.

At the helm was David Lee, another coach with high credentials, who handles coaching of coaches as well as players.

Lee is also finishing up with Blacktown this year. He looked after the Demons' coaching academy for many years.

WOLLONGONG CITY coach John Fleming hopes to have his immediate coaching future decided before he leaves for England on October 6.

Fleming has been waiting for Wolves' chairman Laurie Kelly to return from a round-the-world trip to discuss his future.

"I want to stay with Wollongong but I have to know what the set-up is going to be for next season," Fleming said.

"If the club is in the State League in 1987 I have to know where I stand and what the situation is with players.

"It is no secret some Wollongong players want to stay in the NSL. If the club goes down. They have to realise there are many other players in the same boat, so clubs can really pick and choose.

"A player based in Wollongong might be behind the eight ball in this regard."

There must also be the possibility that Fleming himself might be sought by one of the 14 "elite" teams for next season.

He has built up a good reputation as a coach in a short time and there are going to be at least two vacancies in Sydney.

Fleming is going to England to see his new-born son, James, for the first time, his wife, Jan, having returned there to have their second child.



Robbie Slater played under Casey de Bruin

APIA were fined by the OASL over the incidents a month ago at Lambert Park during the match against Marconi to the tune of \$1500.

The League tribunal fined the club \$500 for failing to provide adequate protection for match officials and another \$1000 for failing to provide adequate protection for players.

But the tribunal added a proviso that the \$1000 fine would be returned if the club carried out its undertaking to improve security measures during the 1987 season.

THREE youngsters missed out on their chance to make an impression in the final round of the National League northern division this season.

With the Adelaide City squad reduced to 12 players, Ernie Luong, Colin Miller and Robbie Alberton were called up by coach Zoran Matic — but all failed fitness tests following injuries playing for the reserve team in the SA Second Division of the State League.

GEORGE CROSS conceded fewer goals than any other team in the national competition — 17, while scoring 26.

They also had the greatest number of draws — 11.

Most goals were conceded by Brisbane City — 46 while scoring 18, but the lowest scorers were Green Gully with 16.

WILLIE WALLACE has freshened up after a season outside the club coaching limelight. He is ready, willing and able to accept a suitable coaching appointment for 1987.

IT has been stated previously but the decision at the ABC to screen 'Big League Soccer' at nearly 11.00pm on a Monday night is outrageous. It is the start of the working week and not even the most ardent Soccer supporter can stay up till midnight every Monday.

THE fashion in which the Northern Division ran down to the wire in terms of qualifying for the semi-finals and next years competition could only serve to better the game.

Unfortunately everybody's 'second-favourite' team — Newcastle Rosebud United, the real battlers of the League missed out on both counts at the final and most important hurdle.

**Flashback
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LEGENDARY REG DATE WITH CANTERBURY AND WALLSEND

JUST as imported players of the calibre of Leo Baumgartner, Andy Saghi, Karl Jaros and Herbert Ninaus dominated NSW Soccer in the late fifties and early sixties, there was a breed who did the same in the previous era.

And the doyen of that group was a heavily built centre-forward named REG DATE.

His main career was with Newcastle club Wallsend but he also had three glorious years from 1945/47 with Canterbury (then Canterbury-Bankstown), who were based on Blick Oval, Canterbury.

Date had a kick like a mule. You would rarely ever find him driving the ball over the bar — he knew just where to place it. When he hit it it stayed hit!

In addition he could skew the ball off his foot, or volley it out to a winger with absolute precision.

In an 18 year career to 1954 he scored 664 goals. These weren't the days of tight defences. All the same, the figures speak for themselves.

He was at the height of his form in 1947 when a high class South African team toured Australia.

Included in his team-mates with Canterbury were Vic and Bob Murray, Ray Bryant, Ron and Jack Hughes, Billy Cook and Bill Wilson.



REG DATE ... a master of attack.

WOLLONGONG CITY directors are keen to talk with Uruguayan midfielder Saul Rivero about his future.

The problem is they haven't sighted him for a while. Rivero missed the last half of the season with a burst hamstring and moved from Wollongong back to Sydney.

Rivero and countryman Leon Arcosa were hailed as the players who could have put Wollongong into the top five with points to spare but it didn't turn out that way.

They were on very good contacts but Rivero had injury problems and Arcosa struggled in NSL company.

There have been strong reports that Auburn Uruguay want to sign Arcosa for next season but Rivero remains a mystery man for the moment.

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FOR trivia collectors who love statistics.

The top scoring club in the Northern Division was winner Sydney Croatia with 43 goals and 18 conceded, while the Southern Division champions, Melbourne Juventus, netted 37 and conceded 21.

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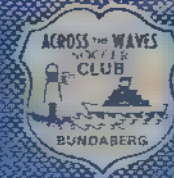
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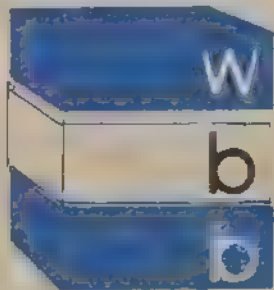
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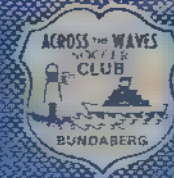
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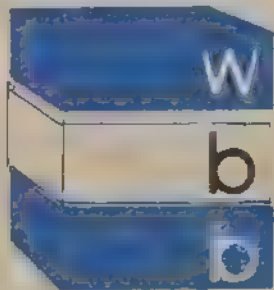
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The State League Story

SUTHERLAND'S 50 YEAR RECORD OF SERVICE

YOUTH POLICY OPERATES AT SEYMOUR SHAW PARK

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Few today can recall the days when The Casuals were the only club of note in the district, which was hardly developed in comparison to what it is today.

The Shire developed one of the biggest - if not the biggest - junior nursery in Australia.

And they have made such good use of their

wealth of players that only two of the 48 in the grade teams at present were not locally produced.

The couple of 'outsiders' have however been local residents for many years.

Sutherland's attitude is that, as forerunners at the art of developing their own talent, they are pleased to see other clubs who have been importers of players at last following their lead.

The Light Blues have been regular finalists in State League ranks since 1978.

This year the first grade ran second on points but had to defer down to fourth position on goal difference.

The reserve grade finished third whilst fielding an entire squad of under 21s.

The thirds had a completely unblemished record and topped their league.

Now the club is looking forward ... to its next 50 years ...



Left to right: John Lavin (Coach), Craig Hall, Brandt Cashman, Brett Nelson, Peter Terry, Mark Harrington (Captain), Vic Dal-Forno, Daryl Sharp, Ian Burrows, Craig Burchmore, Steve Meades, Geoff Ball (Manager), Andy Watson (Masseur), Scott Hughes, Bruce Johnston, Robert Sellar, Wayne Cox, Greg Lerond.



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Left to right: Grant Frearson, Pat de Marco, Andrew Simpson, John Tollis, John Ashton, Ian Barr, David Ensor, Gary Forrester, Mal Haynes (Coach), Peter King, Carlo Glovenco, Andrew Mellier, Scott Leney, Matthew Fielding, Andrew Long, Anthony Massarotti, Craig Hill. Absent: Harry Christadoulou, Darren Burnell.

KNOWLEDGEABLE
Sutherland Shire coach John Lavin has had a very successful year with the club.

Not being a wealthy organisation, it has had to battle ahead on its own resources, and there is no shortage of talent to work on.

Prior to the John Lavin days former Australian international John Watkiss was in command.

And prior to that ASW columnist Mike Johnson put the club on its feet.

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2nd Grade 12.45pm
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**THEN SUNDAY OCTOBER 5
THE GRAND FINALS**



BARDON LATROBE SOCCER CLUB

Bowman Park, Bardon, Brisbane, Queensland

LATROBE CLUB BADGE



CLUB HISTORY

IT is difficult to exactly determine when the club was formed — we have been given different years. It would appear that a club called Rag Tag Football Club who were premiers of the Second Grade 1911 and runners-up in the First Grade 1912 eventually became the Latrobe Soccer Club. The Bardon section of the club was founded in 1926.

Our clubs, Latrobe and Bardon, are steeped in the history of not only Queensland soccer but the history of the district, if not Brisbane. In 1916, with the world in the throes of the Great War, life was much more uncomplicated and, with transport as we know it today only a pipedream, suburban life was much more homely. In this kind of environment Latrobe was created in the OUTER suburb of Paddington and quickly established itself among the young men of the district. As is usual in the aftermath of war and depression people became involved in simple, cheap, outdoor entertainment and there is little doubt the club would have prospered at this time in the terms of the human energy attracted to the sport.

By this time Brisbane was exploding outwards and in 1926 another group of worthies out at Bardon

decided they too would have to have their own team and one does not have to use too much brainpower to imagine the rivalry that existed in the two areas separated by only a mile on the "tramline". Human nature however is a strange phenomenon and it was felt in 1939 that perhaps the clubs would do better together, however, a certain Austrian (not a footballer), put paid to that idea and by the time 1945 came around a new generation in each camp had decided to "go it alone" once again.

The late '50s was to see a new force entering Australian soccer. Migrants began flooding into the country and their presence changed the game dramatically, not only in playing strength, but in spectator numbers. Semi-professional players became part and parcel of the scene and it was here the two clubs really parted ways with Bardon remaining true-blue

amateur and Latrobe becoming almost overnight an "English" team playing in a league with such ethnic names as Azzurri, Hellenic, Hollandia, and Merton keeping the Southern Cross flying. With the advent of television came the beginning of the drift away from live sport and many clubs looked long and hard at how to prolong their existence. With the Federation preaching amalgamation of our two clubs, now based in two "old" suburbs, took the big step and for a while in the late '60s enjoyed once again the success achieved by the "English Latrobe" six or seven years previously. But it was not to be. With young couples moving out to new suburbs and the electronic media booming, people were changing their habits and watching live sport every weekend was definitely only for the purist. Again an attempt to postpone the

inevitable and the ill fated try at amalgamation, this time with Mitchelton, saw the club fall foul of the "powers that be", and the humility of having to apply for admission to a lower division (the fifth). It is indicative that with the people involved the team rose non stop through the leagues to level out in the present First Division, the equivalent today of the league they made application for back in 1979.

On the 10th September, 1983 we held a Reunion and the evening was a great success with players and supporters coming along to renew old friendships. People travelled from all over Queensland and even from Sydney to attend. Another of these reunions is planned for the near future. We have deliberately not named people who have been responsible in keeping the club going over the years. With people like this the club will be around for many years to come.

IN FOR A GOOD TIME

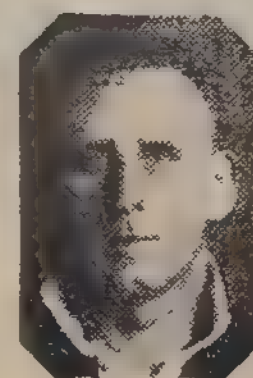
LATROBE'S PROSPECTS

HAS WON EVERY SOCCER COMPETITION
MANY STARS — STRONG RESERVES

Being the outstanding team in Queensland Soccer, it is only natural that much discussion is taking place as to whether the champion team for the last four seasons, Latrobe, will be able to continue on its winning way. Last season the team, captained by Edgar Rigby, cleaned the slate, securing the honours of every competition conducted by the association — grand premiership, minor premiership, Tristram Shield, Hilton Shield, and the Queensland Cup.

That remarkable feat is unequalled by any other team, and it means that since Latrobe struck its winning vein in 1929 the club has achieved the proud distinction of having won every competition for which it has been eligible to compete in Queensland Soccer.

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E. RIGBY



A. E. MURRAY

GEORGE POTTER

AFTER playing school and club football from 12 - 15, George represented Angus District Schoolboys and Angus District Under 15's.

He was invited to trial at Leeds United under Don Revie at the age of 15 (his last school year). He returned to Scotland after a short spell and played with his previous home town club, Arbroath Lads Club.

George was signed by Forfar Athletics at the age of 17 and played for four years in the Scottish Second Division. He transferred to Luton Town (English Third Division) and played for three years at Luton under well known managers, Alan Brown and Alec Stock. He achieved promotion to the Second Division with Luton. George then transferred to Torquay United (Third Division) playing for three years at Torquay, captaining the side. Once again he transferred to Hartlepool United (Fourth Division) playing for four years, captaining the side. He missed only a handful of games in over 13 seasons and notched up over 500 goals.

George was invited to tour India with an "English" team. He played six games in India alongside Bobby Charlton, Eric McMorris (Irish International), Terry Paine (English International) and was



voted most consistent player of the tour.

Les Scheinflug signed George for Brisbane Lions at the start of the National League. He played and captained Lions for two years, then transferred to Brisbane City where he played and captained City for two years before taking over the coaching position at City for one and a half seasons where they finished third in the National League in 1981.

George was the first player in Australia to achieve playing in 100 National League games.

He left City to devote more time to his position as a sales manager.

George has also played for North Star (Premier League) for two seasons during which they won the Ampol Cup in 1984. He coached North Star for one season.

George is presently coaching and playing at Bardon Latrobe (Brisbane First Division).

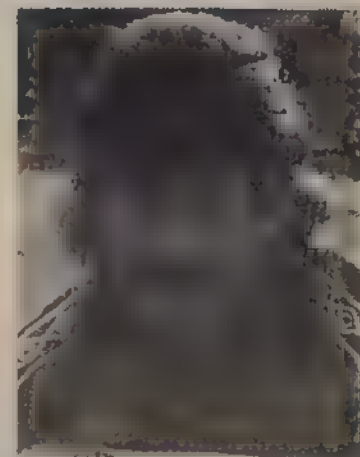
MARTIN COE

MARTIN started his playing career at the age of ten with The Gap and played with them till he was 17.

In 1968 he transferred to Latrobe Soccer Club playing his first match in an Australian Cup game losing 5-0 to Prague, coached by Joe Venglos. Martin played with distinction for Latrobe until 1972 when he transferred to Hakoah.

It was during his time at Hakoah that he was in the Australian Training Squad for the '74 World Cup finals. He played a number of friendly games during his stay in the squad. While at Hakoah he also trained with Celtic in Scotland for one month. He was offered a further one month trial but permission was refused by Hakoah.

In 1976 Martin transferred to St. George playing with



them until 1980 when he decided to return home to Brisbane and played with Brisbane City for three seasons. He then played one and a half seasons with Valley Trident before retiring. He was enticed back to playing this year by his old side, Bardon Latrobe.

As well as playing for Bardon Latrobe he coaches goalkeepers at Mt. Gravatt and Brisbane Lions.

Martin played for New South Wales in 1976 and represented his home state, Queensland, seven times.

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WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

OUR club has always been to the fore in Promotion.

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We are about to undertake our largest promotion if we successfully negotiate with the Brisbane City Council, a new stadium complex, which will be unique in that it will be a completely landscaped stadium in keeping with the developments of the Mt. Coot-tha foothills.

HONOUR BOARD

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Premierships Since Federation: 1964, 1966, 1967.

Championships Since Federations: 1965, 1966.

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Coach: G. Rowan.

1980 Runners-up Qantas Cup.

1981 3rd Division Premiers and Won Qantas Cup
Coach: G. Rowan. No Grand Final Series 1981.

1982 2nd Division Runners-up. 2nd Division Grand Final
Winners. Coach: G. Rowan.

1985 4th in Qantas Cup Competition. Coach: R. Robertson.

1986 Currently 3rd in Division One. Coach: G. Potter.

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GILBERT ROWAN	1	PETER SCOTT	4
PHIL CRUSE	1	DAVE HARTLEY	5
ALAN BAIN	1	GEOFF GAULT	6
KEITH JONES	1	MARTIN COE	7
RED EDMONDS	1	ALAN SINCLAIR	7
HENRY BROWN	2	EDDIE CARRIGAN	8
RON CLARKE	2	MATT HOSIE	9
JOHN HUDSON	2	DEREK ROBSON	9
JIM LAMB	2	SYD TUCKER	9
KEN RUSK	3	RAY RICHARDS	11

These figures are only for the Senior Queensland team. Our players from the Junior section of the club who have represented at various levels are too numerous to list.



FIRST TEAM 1986

BACK ROW L - R: G. Potter (Coach), A. McClymont, B. Atterton, B. Sampson, F. Saroch, D. Biron, M. Coe, G. Jones (Reserve Coach)

FRONT ROW L - R: N. Collins (Captain), M. McDonnell, B. Hall, M. Biron, C. Hall, J. Finlayson.



RESERVE TEAM 1986

BACK ROW L - R: S. Potter, M. Cowley, D. Battersby, K. Milne, A. Atterton (Captain), M. Turner, W. Dodd, J. Wordsworth.

FRONT ROW L - R: J. Gomersall, G. Ramsay, G. Jones (Coach), S. MacDonald, M. McDonnell, G. Potter

INSERT: J. Atterton, D. Finlayson, J. Davis.



The above team played at Gregory Park, Milton, and we are led to believe was the forerunner of the Latrobe Soccer Club.

MELITA EYE THE DOUBLE

TWO goals in the last two minutes of play allowed Melita Eagles to brush aside Manly Warringah 3-1 in the major semi-final at Melita Stadium.

Melita, who have already won the State League championship, will now go through to the grand final, while Manly will play Sutherland in this Sunday's preliminary final.

A crowd of about 2000 people witnessed a cat and mouse struggle complete with contrasting styles.

Whereas Melita shone out with their typically exuberant attacking flair, Manly based their game on their solid defence, relying on the long ball and the quick break to launch their attacks.

The match itself was even with chances falling to both sides.

However in the 34th minute, Melita broke the deadlock when defender, Craig Williams, chipped a long ball to striker, Len Vial, who

BY STEVE SHELTON

outjumped the defence and deflected a neat backheader over the head of keeper, Bob Cathin.

Manly came back strongly and had several good chances to equalise in the 39th and 44th minutes through midfielder Paul Marshall and striker, Don Allan.

In the 74th minute, Manly finally drew level through a less than elegant goal.

A long throw from the left by midfielder, Alan Dean, was headed towards the goal by fellow midfielder, Jimmy Campbell. The ball went as far as Melita keeper, Dragan Pupovac, who only managed a juggling act and while it was still being bobbling about, referee Arthur Owens judged that it had crossed the goal line.

Manly seemed to tire towards the end of the match and, in the 85th minute, Melita almost grabbed the lead when midfielder Wayne Farnsworth raced through the Manly defence and smashed a 25 metre shot inches wide of the right post.

Farnsworth's shot was

a sign of things to come and, in the 88th minute, he was involved in a one-two with Vial which ended with midfielder Andrew Callanan driving a 15 metre volley just inside the right post.

With the seconds running out, Melita put the result beyond doubt when midfielder Ray Farrugia converted a penalty after substitute striker, Jim Meerban, was fouled inside the box by Manly's Fraser Robin.

Vial, Paul McFadden and Greg McCoy were outstanding for Melita. However, they are sorely missing the services of dashing striker, John Foxman, who was injured in the recent clash with Penrith City.

Manly's best players were Paul Marshall and Jimmy Campbell.

PS: Both of Melita's lower grade side also qualified for the grand-final, capping an enormously successful season for the club.

MELITA: Pupovac, Williams, Tradnick, Wilson, McCoy, Callanan, Farrugia, Farnsworth, McFadden, Vial, Serbas (Moorbell 70m).

MANLY: Cathin, Dennis, Dick, Dean, Robin, Van Egmond, Marshall, Campbell, Stuart (Elberington 70m), McIntosh, Allan, (Devlin 70m).

SUTHERLAND BUMPS OFF ROCKDALE

BY STEVE SHELTON

SUTHERLAND maintained their dazzling late season form when they outmanoevered Rockdale Ilinden 1-0 in the sudden — death minor semi-final at Melita Stadium.

The win, in front of about 1000 spectators, earned Sutherland the right to play Manly in next week's preliminary final (see Melita v Manly match report on this page).

Sutherland began strongly and nearly took the lead in the 10th minute when defender Robbie Sellar, who was unmarked inside the penalty area, latched onto a free kick by midfielder Mark Harrington.

ton, but he hit his shot straight at keeper, Peter Berry.

Seven minutes later, Sutherland converted their early dominance into a goal when striker, Scott Hughes, raced onto a long ball by Sellar and gave Berry no chance.

Rockdale came back strongly in the second half and made numerous attacking raids on the Sutherland goalmouth, forcing Sutherland keeper Craig Burchmore to pull off several brilliant saves.

In the last five minutes, Rockdale intensified their attacks and liberally peppered the Sutherland goalmouth with shots.

They looked certain to score but a combination of Sutherland's good defence and good fortune denied them the equaliser.

Sutherland's best player was Sellar, who blotted out Rockdale's danger man and the League's top scorer, Zlatko Nastevski.

Burchmore and Hughes also played exceptionally well. Striker Jim Ristevski, who never stopped trying, was Rockdale's best player.

SUTHERLAND: Burchmore, Nelson, Terry, Burrows, Lerond, Meades, Harrington, Johnston (Cashman 70m), Hughes, Sharp (Hill 70m).

ROCKDALE: Berry, G. Wilson, Rodas, Pilovski, D. Wilson, Dugney, Nastovski, Jones, Nastovski, Grbevski, Ristevski.

GLADESVILLE'S GRAND FINAL

GLADESVILLE-Hornsby won their second successive Second Division grand-final when they edged out North Bankstown 1-0 in an unmemorable match at Potts Park.

The game was characterised by disjointed play by both sides and a disappointing lack of highlights.

Quipped Gladesville's Jerry Moore: "It was a game which neither team deserved to win."

North Bankstown coach, Dennis Madden, agreed. "It was a bit of a scrappy match and I think we were a bit tired in the second half, probably as a result of our game against Yugal last week which went into extra time."

Even the game's only goal was less than spectacular.

In the 42nd minute, defender Darren Simpson floated a free kick into the Bankstown goalmouth and it was fumbled into the net by keeper Lockhardt.

Goalkeeper, Paul van der Leeden and defender, Paddy Sullivan, played well for Gladesville while defender Rob Thompson excelled for Bankstown.

PS: Gladesville were less fortunate in the lower grades, losing 4-1 to Kingsford Hellenic in the Under 19s and 2-1 to Blacktown United in second grade.

GLADESVILLE: Van der Leeden, Hardwick (Butt 70m), Sullivan, McNaughton, Simpson, Thompson, Williamson, Dunn, Roughley, Naylor, Rodwell (Murphy 55m).

BANKSTOWN: Lockhardt, PHTman, Peters, Perry, Thompson, Charlesworth, Poole, Callinan, Cearc, James, Stephenson.

— STEVE SHELTON

SUTHERLAND THREATEN BOYCOTT

SUTHERLAND officials have notified the executive of the NSW Soccer Federation that they will not contest the grand final of the State League, should they qualify by defeating Manly next Sunday.

Their reason for issuing this threat is based on an extreme unwillingness to play the most important match of the season against titleholders, Melita at Melita's home ground, Melita Stadium.

Said a Sutherland spokesperson: "We don't want to knock Melita — they're a good club. But we find fault with the NSW Federation for failing to schedule this match at a neutral ground. It's a terrible decision."

"It gives Melita an unfair advantage. Why not play the game at Seymour Shaw Park. We'd love to play there."

In recent years, the State League has used Marconi Stadium and St George Stadium to stage the grand final series.

However, of the State League grounds, Melita Stadium has by far the most impressive facilities for both players and spectators.

— STEVE SHELTON

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TORTUOUS TIME FOR TORTEVSKI

BY KEITH GILMOUR

VLADO TORTEVSKI, the Rockdale Ilinden star, remained on the sidelines for Sunday's semi-final.

And it seems that no-one is happy — certainly not the Australian and NSW Federations, the Yugoslav Federation, and also the Dutch Federation and their Second Division club Emmen.

For that matter Rockdale is certainly not dancing with joy, according to their club secretary Simon Sbrinovski.

"We have been completely mucked about," he said. "Vlado was authorised to play with us by the Australian Soccer Federation at the beginning of the year."

"He had gone from Yugoslavia to Emmen as an amateur."

"He played half a season there, and his contract was with an investment company so FIFA don't come into the picture at all."

It seems that the NSW Federation discovered

an alleged anomaly in his clearance after he had been sent off in the game against Melita Eagles in August.

And Yugoslavia, having cleared him to Australia, withdrew the authority when they found that he had been playing in Holland without their approval.

Holland has asked for a \$US3000 transfer fee and the NSW Federation decided that a bond would need to be lodged with them for this sum.

But, having had a change of tack from Yugoslavia, the ASF has withdrawn permission for Tortevski to play.

So that means that no-one is happy, least of all Tortevski.

Perhaps, if his original deal with Emmen had been more straightforward, the whole problem could have been avoided.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER AWARDS PRESENTED AT NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

BY JOHN ECONOMIDES

A series of special awards were presented after the completion of this year's National titles which were held in Adelaide. They were for outstanding achievements by the girls and were presented to the following:

Janette Melvin (Vic.), Leigh Wardell (NSW), Connie Byrnes (SQ), Shona Bass (Vic.), Andrea Martin (Vic.)

and Sue Buswell (N/NSW) for participation in the first AWSA Championships in 1974 and the 13th Championships in 1986

Connie Byrnes of Southern Queensland, has played for NSW, N/NSW and Sth Qld and captained all States. Janette Melvin is the first person to play and coach a State team in three consecutive Championships.

An Outstanding Achievement Award was made to Western Australia's left-striker, Sharon Mateljan for her participation in 12 Consecutive Championships (1974-1985). Sharon had missed only two games during that time (Adelaide 1980).

Other presentations included Life Membership to Betty Hoar (Vic.) and to former National coach, Jim Selby (Qld).

Challenge Cup participants ACT and SA; runners up SQ and winners Vic. (defeated SQ 1-0 during extra time, goal scored by A. Shanks).

Runners up trophy and individual trophies to Championship second place team — Sth Qld.

Winners trophy and individual trophies to 13th National Champions — NSW. (Undefeated and no goals scored against them.)

AWSA 13th National Championships — goal scorers.

Donna Fredrickson SQ 6, Janine Riddington NSW 5, Julie Murray ACT 3, Kim Lembryk NSW 4, Julie Dolan NSW 3, Klara Szabo SQ 3, Renaye Iserief N/NSW 3, Debbie Nichols Vic 4, Leonie Yowych

SQ 2, Sharon Dewar SQ 2, Anissa Tann NSW 1, Jane Oakley Vic 1, Fiona McKenzie SA 1, Alison Templeman N/NSW 1, Lea Tam Tas 1, Susan McIvor Tas 1, Louise Eslake Tas 1, Marianna Hardstaff Tas 1, Linda Howcroft ACT 1, Jenny Hillman ACT 1, Lyn Spencer SQ 1,

Kayleen Janssen SQ 1, Amanda Norgate Vic 1, Janette Melvin Vic 1, Shona Bass Vic 1, Rowan Robertson Vic 1, Dalas Carmody NSW 1, Kirsty Patten NT 1, Amanda George NT 1, Maree Burke N/NSW 1, Gail Pace SA 1, Margaret Petrov NSW 1, Janine McPhee Vic 1.

Illawarra Jottings

WITH PHIL MURPHY

DISCIPLINE PAYS FOR FLANAGAN AND WALKER

IT was a case of "crime doesn't pay" when Bulli and Fernhill qualified for the Toohey's Premier League grand final and rival coaches Norm Flanagan and Gerry Walker were largely responsible.

The two teams had remarkable judiciary records through the season, Fernhill having picked up just four yellow cards and Bulli eight

Bulli received three cards in their fiery Bampton Cup final against Aris and their league run with cards is even more remarkable because they managed to go through unbeaten.

Judiciary spokesman Derek Hart said for Bulli to have collected only five cards in their 22 league games is tremendous.

"They were on top most of the time and

pressure was on them every time they went on to the field, Hart said.

"The records of some other Premier League clubs is really bad compared to Bulli and Fernhill."

Flanagan and Walker came to Australia to play with South Coast United in the early 70's and have always been great mates.

"We have similar attitudes towards the game and we don't encourage players to get results by chopping people down," Flanagan said.

"You also have to hand it to the players in both teams for their ability to get on with the

game, because you see many players in other teams getting cards for dissent."

Walker said his players have been a credit to the club this year. "Four cards is really great and they have gone through a few tough games during the season," he said.

The Fernhill coach was last week re-appointed for another year but it is unlikely the Fernhill side of 1987 can improve on that judiciary record.

Coach Darryl Glover has officially severed ties with Cringila after three seasons and the club is advertising for a replacement.

Glover, who claims he might have stayed just one season too long at Crehan Park, is on the lookout for another club.

He has displayed a very professional attitude to the role and at least one Premier League club is keen to have him signed up in the next two weeks.

South Coast Croatia overcame a last-minute hitch to win the first division grand final against Balgownie.

The club went to Fred Finch Park for their last training session before the grand final to discover the goalposts were missing.

It seems Wollongong Council took them away thinking the Soccer season was over so the players had to have shooting practice with no target.

To make matters worse one of the reserve grade players went over on an ankle in a hole where the posts came out of the ground and missed the reserve grade grand final.

Croatia beat Balgownie 3-1 in first grade and are now looking forward to their debut in Premier League next season.

They have gained promotion after finishing second behind Cornmal.

These two teams can prove big assets to the premier league and Croatia, in particular, will draw big crowds wherever they play.

Balgownie's under 19 team are undoubtedly the youth team of the season in either Premier League or First Division.

When they beat Cornmal 3-2 in their grand final they completed the grand slam,

having won the championship and the Youth Cup final (formerly the Kass Cup).

Balgownie have a number of players in the side who are still eligible for under 19's next season and if officials can keep them together it augurs well for the club's future.

That could be the big problem as promising young teams have fallen apart at the seams many times over the years in Illawarra.

It was a great comeback for Bulli sweeper Steve Sargeson when he turned out for Bulli in Sunday's grand final against Fernhill.

In August last year, Sargeson was badly injured in a skating accident, finishing up in Canberra Hospital minus his spleen and part of one kidney.

He said he thought for a while his Soccer career could be over but doctors quickly assured him he would play again.

Last season he was barely out of hospital to watch Bulli lose the grand final 1-0 to Aris so he had a special reason to look forward to the big game this year.

The burning question in Illawarra Soccer is will Bulli coach Norm Flanagan stay on next season?

After winning the championship unbeaten this season and qualifying for three grand finals in a row it could be said the Irishman "has done it all" with Bulli and could be looking for a new challenge.

Flanagan is non-committal about the future but says he has really felt at home with Bulli.

"They have a great social outlook after the game and stay together through the summer playing golf regularly," he said.

"Most of their success comes about because they don't pay their players and this does a lot for team spirit."

"A coach knows his players aren't just interested in what they are getting out of the game and at Bulli the players work for one another on the field."

The Wollongong media have discovered Fernhill goalkeeper Justin Norris prefers the tag "experienced" to "veteran."

Formerly an Illawarra

representative at Soccer and cricket, Norris has made a successful comeback with Fernhill this season.

He came in for the injured Craig Armour and coach Gerry Walker simply couldn't drop him on the form he was showing.

After qualifying for the grand final with a 3-0 win over Warilla Wanderers, Norris wasn't going to miss the Soccer writer who described him as a veteran.

After shaking hands with opposing players on the field, Norris shouted to the sideline "I'm experienced, not a veteran!"

What a turnaround when West-Figtree qualified for the Premier League under 19 grand final against Cornmal.

When the Premier League first started in the 70's two players in the Figtree team were Rob Noakes and Larry Beringer — in the grand final at the weekend these two players were coaching the Figtree side.

Noakes is still playing with the club while Beringer has had two successful seasons in the State League with Fairy Meadow.

Tasmania North

WITH JOHN ECONOMIDES

JUVENTUS RETAINS HONEYCHURCH CUP

LAUNCESTON Juventus retained the Honeychurch Cup, which they won in its inaugural season last year, by the narrowest of margins against a determined Devonport challenge at Invermay Park.

From the first whistle Devonport took the initiative and pressed and probed the Juve defence for an early goal.

McKenna was back to his previous best and Parke, Steve Rimmer, Chilcott and the Meldrums were making their presence felt. Juventus' Colin Guest, Kaitani and Davidson were marked tightly and given little room to do anything.

However, it was Devonport that made the first slip when a bad back-pass to Mack caused him to block de-

sperately, first from Guest, then from Mies.

David Meldrum almost opened the scoring for the Port when his well-struck shot was pushed away for a corner in the 39th minute.

Brian Davidson, kept very quiet in the first half, came alive in the second and nothing could stop him.

He started with a brilliant solo run in the 8th minute of the second half, dodging and jumping five opponents through the midfield before slotting the ball through for Mies.

Seconds later Colin

Guest squeezed between two Devonport defenders to bypass Mack and shoot across goal.

Devonport then took their turn to try to score as Parke's shot flashed just wide of the post and Mike Meldrum, after eluding a Juve tackle, shot over the bar.

He was again on hand when he took another chance as he volleyed a tremendous shot that brought a timely save from Dent.

With 13 minutes remaining, Juventus took the lead. Davidson

shook off a strong challenge by Steve Rimmer on the touch-line, headed for goal and, on reaching the dead-ball line, cut the ball back sharply for striker Colin Guest to hammer it into the roof of the net.

Juventus hung on desperately as Devonport searched for the equaliser but Savill, Rossi, Hemsley and Ernie Guest were able to keep them at bay and ensure that champagne flowed that night.

Team line-ups
JUVENTUS: W Dent, A. Rossi, B Hemsley, P. Savill, E Guest, S. Dennis, S. Kaitani, L. Gugliotti, C. Guest, B. Davidson, R. Mies, G. MacFarlane, T. Gale, M. Pullen, D. Gardner, J. Burden.

DEVONPORT: S. Mack, D. Chilcott, S. Rimmer, A. Rimmer, K. Smith, D. Meldrum, M. Meldrum, K. Rigby, B. Frame, R. Parke, T. McKenna, P. Best, B. Lewis.

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THE QUEENSLAND REPORT

With Greg Russell

NORTH STAR IN THE ASCENDANT

COALSTARS' LOSS IS NORTH STAR'S GAIN

PROGRESSIVE young Queensland club, North Star, believes it can go all the way and win the \$10,000 XXXX League grand final after a dramatic final round premiership win.

North Star, under the guidance of player-coach Iain Fagan, came from behind to win 3-1 their final fixture against Coalstars and steal the flag from the Ipswich side.

The O'Callaghan Park club also won the Colts game and drew the Reserves match to snare the Attack Club Championship ahead of Coalstars.

Fagan believes it was the club's greatest day and now will spur his team onto the grand final.

"We thrive on knockout football, it suits our style. That's why we did so well in our final match with Coalstars.

Everything was there for the winner and nothing for the loser. We went for it and got it," Fagan said.

The clash between the two clubs was a thrilling end to an enthralling XXXX League season.

North Star led in the first round with Easts but faltered at the turnaround to lose a place in the President's Cup final for first round leaders. Instead Easts joined Coalstars in the final, with the Ipswich side snaring the first trophy of the season.

North Star, and Easts then hit horror patches as Coalstars continued to notch wins and with a three-point lead with

four games to go it seemed Brian Styles' side was set for the flag.

AMBITIONS

North Star and Coalstars then met in the Ampol Cup final with Coalstars coming from behind to take the silverware. Talk of doubles and trebles was rife.

But with the loss through injury of experienced defenders Mark McNaughton and Ian Lawrie, Coalstars' charge began to falter. Point by point they were pegged back until they had only a one point lead over North Star — with the two clubs to meet in the final round.

And again it looked like Coalstars' flag when Mark Brusasco scored first but that, according to coach Styles, was the worst mistake.

"A few players thought we had won it and started to hang back. We are an attacking side and in the end we killed our own strengths. We failed to get the ball to the players who could have won the game for us," Styles said.

North Star stormed back through an equaliser from Cameron Pearce then goals from Paul Fagan and Billy Williamson, the later described by Fagan as "a world class headed goal" sealed the match, the league and the club championship for North Star.

The two clubs met again last weekend in the major semi-final and some are predicting they will clash for a third time in as many games in the grand final on October 5.

But Styles is not so sure. After the morale-crushing final round loss he declared his side the outsiders of the top four series.

TOP FOUR

The other top four spots were filled as expected by Mount Gravatt and Easts.

Although Mount Gravatt had the tougher assignment to reach the semis, the Hawks had to beat competition dark-horses Olympic United to assure themselves of a top four berth.

But Olympic went into the game without excellent young keeper

Gordon Otto. Teenager John Spahis got an attack of the nerves on the big occasion and presented Mount Gravatt with two good opportunities. Mick Sinn netted with both and later in the game added a third for his hat-trick and the final 3-0 scoreline. That was the same score by which Easts beat relegated Wynnum to secure their berth in last weekend's knockout semi.

In the Intermediate League, Valley Trident threw away the premiership and promotion to the XXXX League for the second time in three years. After leading all season Valleys lost their final game 1-2 to Mitchelton.

That result allowed Rochdale to take the league and even let Acaia Ridge, relegated from the XXXX League last year, to nip into second spot.

Rochdale are one of the growth clubs in the OSF and will be welcomed into the top competition. The club on the southern outskirts of Brisbane boasts 44 junior teams and four senior sides.



MARK BRUSASCO ... scorer

NIVEN MAY PLAY IN NORTH OF ENGLAND

FORMER Soccerroo Alan Niven will return to England later this month and is undecided whether he will comeback to Australia for next season.

Niven, who has played all 10 National League seasons with Lions said he would not make a decision on his future until the new year.

It has been a difficult season for the 30-year-old left fullback who made eight appearances for Australia, mainly in the Les Scheinflug era.

Niven stunned Lions coach Col Bennett when earlier this year he announced his retirement to take up a Queensland Soccer Federation Regional Director of Coaching position in Bundaberg. Niven and his family moved North after he played his farewell game, when he helped Queensland beat New South Wales 1-0 at Perry Park.

But after five weeks Niven announced he

was quitting Bundaberg. He said his family had been forced to return to Britain.

Niven decided to stay and see the season out with Lions before joining them.

"I won't be making any decision until the New Year, but I have told the club I will definitely advise them of my decision by early January. At this stage I am not sure what I am going to do," Niven said.

But the former Wolverhampton Wanderers apprentice said he hoped to gain a clearance to play while he was back in the north of England.

"I might see if I can get a game part-time in one of the Northern Leagues," he said.

Although Niven proved more than a handy player in Lions desperate but unsuccessful bid to win their way into next year's NSL 14, indications are the club will not outlay any substantial expenses to keep Niven.

And that will be particularly the case if the club, as expected, returns to the Queensland XXXX League. Coach Col Bennett has indicated the entire playing staff will be reviewed and some old faces could go.



ALAN NIVEN

SWEeper STEVE JACKSON "BEATS ALAN HUNTER"

BRISBANE Lions and Queensland sweeper Steve Jackson could prove to be the bargain buy of the year if southern clubs come north looking for talent.

Jackson, who because of his stocky build is often dismissed by talent scouts, is recognised as a far better defender than his former Lions teammate Alan Hunter, now at Heidelberg and in the Soccerroo squad.

Adn what makes the 21-year-old Jackson even more attractive is that he has a \$10,000 maximum transfer fee in his contract.

A former Queensland Youth team player, Jackson hits the ball well with his left and right feet and is equally at home at either sweeper or left or right back. So highly do Lions officials rate their young defender, he is No.1 on the club's list of players it wants to retain in a bid to win a place in the 1988 NSL.

"Jacko is a tremendous player and I don't think a Southern club would realise what they were getting if they sought to buy him. But we are more than keen to keep Steve in Brisbane and certainly will be trying to match any southern offer he may receive," a Lions official said.

Jackson, who has played much of his career at Richlands, is undecided about the future. And he refused to contemplate a move away from Lions until the club's hopes of late inclusion in the 1987 league were definitely extinguished.

"I have had no offers," he said in reply to a question about whether he was considering heading south.

Melbourne Croatia did seek to sign Jackson two years ago, but on that occasion, for work reasons, he stayed in Queensland. Whether the Melbourne club will

come sniffing again remains to be seen.

But a move south could prove what everybody in Queensland has long believed. Steve Jackson is the ideal player to fill the vacant and worrying Soccerroo rightback spot.



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THE RUN TO THE OAK TURNER CUP

THE first semi-final saw J.J. Cahill and Canterbury Boys High play a style of football rarely seen at fifteen years level, when they met at Macquarie Field, Speers Point.

Both teams were endowed with gifted players whose skills belied their ages. Their attacks generally originated from the back in a slow methodical pattern, only breaking down when an equally intelligent defence counteracted with a seemingly uncanny awareness of what was about to happen.

Consequently the ball went from end to end, not unlike a somewhat animated game of chess or perhaps draughts.

From the beginning, the small early crowd

watched somewhat bemused at the style being played, but as the numbers increased they began to realise that this contest was one of almost artistic beauty.

Generous applause resounded around the ground to each display of skill, which seemed to urge the Sydney sides on even more. One can only conjecture what may have happened had there been greater support from their schools or the match had been played in Sydney.

1986 FINALS

Once or twice a little display of frustration crept in, but referee Ron Arthur kept a tight rein on proceedings.

This, allied to senior co-ordinator Terry Hampton's warning to all four semi-finalists of what was required of them, had the desired effect throughout all four matches.

PRAISE FOR KEEPERS

Reserve keeper John Kalageropoulos showed splendid touch in making good saves from Canterbury forwards David



Farrow, John Nagelatos and Jonathan Heron. Young Farrow in particular impressed with his excellent skills.

J.J. Cahill's Peter Lahanas was outstanding for most of the game and drew many rounds of applause for his forays into Canterbury territory.

Officials and spectators were all predicting extra-time and penalties as the match drew towards its close. However with only forty seconds remaining, the usually reliable and hard working Canterbury backs gave George Mitris enough room to pivot and slot home a winner out of the reach Frank Mikuletic. Let it be said the Mikuletic did not deserve such a fate as his goalkeeping was particularly sound.

Had there been a pointscore kept similar to boxing J.J. Cahill would have won 52-48, such was the closeness of the game.

J.J. Cahill 1 (George Mitris) d Canterbury Boys 0. Referee: Ron Arthur



Jamie Haswell, the captain of the victorious Cardiff High School team, receives the "Bill Turner Cup" from the man after whom the cup was named, following the final played at Macquarie Field, Speers Point. Cardiff defeated J.J. Cahill, Mascot 1-0 in a dramatic encounter. Craig Tait is in the background.

The moment of triumph for the Cardiff High School Under 15 Soccer captain Jamie Haswell as he holds aloft the prestigious "Bill Turner Cup". This was part of the ceremony following Cardiff's 1-0 defeat of J.J. Cahill, Mascot. When he held up the trophy the roar was deafening.

Dean Adamson, Craig Tait and Alan Gilday are in the background.

NEWCASTLE CLASH

THE seemingly slowness of the J.J. Cahill — Canterbury Boys match was quickly forgotten when the whistle sounded for the clash between near neighbours Cardiff and Whitebridge.

"Cyclone second semi-final" was underway. Five hundred fans roared their encouragement as both teams threw everything into a match that had everything.

Neither team possessed the consistent skillfulness of the two Sydney sides. Having said that it must not be thought that they lacked skills, far from it. Canterbury and J.J. Cahill were both more skills.

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Peter Fragakis, the captain of J.J. Cahill High Schools under 15 Soccer team, receives a runners-up pennant from Mr Barry Black, senior sales representative for the OAK Dairy Company following the final of the "Bill Turner Cup" at Macquarie Field, Speers Point. The boys from Mascot played brilliantly throughout. Bill Turner is in the background.

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THE Wednesday night play-off for third place started off as one would expect from two teams disappointed by the results of their games the previous night.

There appeared to be a somewhat half-hearted approach during the early stages of the match from both teams. As the game progressed so did the tempo until the fans realised that the previous night had been forgotten and pride in what they were there for, began to develop.

While they were the more skilful side Canterbury were on the back pedal for much of the

game. Jim Magnisalis and Brad Roulston gave the Canterbury defenders a torrid time. Roulston was rewarded with a fine goal.

It was to be Canterbury's night when Darren Tkac and Jonathan Herron scored. It was a last minute win that came much against the run of play.

Both teams were warmly applauded for a fine game. Shayne Williams and Brett Eldridge looked good for Whitebridge while for Canterbury David Farrow and Simon Gurnishevich were sound.

Canterbury Boys 2 (Darren Tkac, Jonathan Heron) d Whitebridge 1 (Brad Roulston). Referee Mr Pat Belingham.

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NSW Australloyd Insurances Amateur Cup HAWKS AMBUSH KANGAROOS

A LARGE crowd of 1900 people turned out to watch two local teams from the Sutherland Shire fight out the final of the Australloyd Amateur Cup at Seymour Shaw Park, Miranda.

The Menai Hawks, with veteran players of the calibre of Greg Byles, Greg Lynch and John Beater, gave the more fancied and youthful Kirrawee Kangaroos a 3-0 lesson in Cup final football.

Just thirty seconds into the game Lee Oakley, the keeper for the Roos, was forced to defend his goal. The ferocity with which the Hawks put the Roos' defence under pressure in the opening minutes took advantage of the obvious nervousness of some of the youthful Roos.

Three minutes into the match, after some good lead up work from Greg Gill and Allan Griffiths, the Hawks drew blood when Ricky Rose slotted the ball into the back of the net

from close range for the first goal.

They again applied pressure from the restart with a number of penetrating runs from the midfield by Greg Byles, which resulted in two corner kicks.

Again Oakley and his defence had to repel attack from the Hawks forwards, with Griffiths and Graham Watson looking particularly hungry for goals.

The second half saw the Kangaroos try to overcome the three goal deficit. The Holland brothers ably supported by Peter Hall peppered the Hawks' goal but the defence proved unpenetrable.

Dave Harrison and Peter Johnson matched wits against Hawks skipper Byles, whose counter-attacking play often

made the Kangaroos defence backpedal.

With the damage already done in the first half, the Hawks just continued to hold their ground against the Kangaroos in the second. The match ended with the halftime score being unchanged.

It was a case of experience defeating youth.

The Kangaroos will no doubt benefit from what happened and will be amongst the front runners trying to take the crown from the Hawks in next season's Amateur Cup competition.

The game started to turn when the Roos' Russell Johnson made a series of jinking runs into the Hawks' half. He was obviously keen to take over the midfield from Byles.

Several times the Roos' Johnson stretched the Hawks' defence and put his team-mate Peter Hall into good attacking positions. Hall hit some searing shots at goal, only to see them deflected by a Hawks defender or held by their keeper Bryan Coates.

For quite some time the Kangaroos set up camp in the Hawks' goalmouth only to find they were unable to break through the rock-solid defence.

The flow of the battle turned when Byles again made a series of incisive runs into the Kangaroos' half, one of which resulted in a corner kick.

The corner was taken by Byles, who floated the ball into the box for Beater to push it into the back of the net for the Hawks' second goal.

Again from the restart of play the Hawks made a series of raids into the Kangaroo half. Griffiths pounced on a loose ball and left four defenders sprawled on the turf as he knocked in the Hawks' third goal.



DAVID ALCAIDE

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THE Aubury Wodonga Soccer Association has its own junior replica of Roberto Bettega, Italy's magical goalscorer.

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So David's name will come up again and again when he reaches the senior level, if not before.

If he keeps up his workhorse style football he could have a Soccer-oo place ahead of him.

— FRANK FINLAY

SOCCER EXPOSITION ON THIS SATURDAY AT PARKLEA

ALL Soccer club officials — junior and senior — would do well to visit the big NSW Amateur Soccer Federation Expo at Valentine Park, Parklea, from 9am to 5pm on Saturday.

On display will be a wide range of sporting goods and trophies to highlight the products that will be available for the 1987 season.

It's a case of "All Welcome" as well known licensee firms display their wares for your convenience.

Some years ago the NSW Amateurs took the initiative to ensure that clubs have available to them an outstanding range of Soccer gear and accessories.

The scheme is now going so well with well-known official John Hedison in command, that an exposition has been arranged at Valentine Park.

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As a result of last year's activities the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation received \$10,000 from the National Insurance Co of NZ Ltd.

Australloyd Insurances' manager David Tagg produced a \$2500 cheque for sponsorship of NSW Amateur Cup.

Of this \$1000, to be

spent on licensed products, went to winners Menai Hawks and \$500 to runners-up Kirrawee Kangaroos.

The balance provided funds for the Federation to conduct the state-wide competition.

A further \$2500 was granted to the Amateur Federation by brokers Cooke, Lipman and Associates.

All in all, the operation of the scheme has assisted Soccer to continue its growth pattern.

So be there, Saturday 9am to 5pm, at the big Soccer Expo at Parklea.

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conscience than the two northern sides.

The Whitebridge and Cardiff lads often forgot about the use of skilful means, preferring to exercise the direct approach and lots of hard running.

Naturally this type of play can stir up the emotions, but both sides took knock for knock without too much ado. The sight of big Bob Dunn, a very experienced referee, would have been a deterrent anyway, but he had little bother from the boys.

True to form, and as was predicted, Cardiff had to come from behind to win. It happened against Merewether, Glendale and West Wallsend and they suffered a territorial hiding against Lismore until the last ten minutes when they scored an unbelievable three goals. (see previous report in ASW.)

Whitebridge took the

lead when Shayne Williams headed home from a well-taken corner kick and Cardiff looked to be a spent force, but that is when they are dangerous. Jason Rozario levelled the scores when he caught Jason Wolsey in the Whitebridge goals flat-footed.

Kyle Harper put Whitebridge ahead but Todd Edson this time wrong footed the whole defence to level the scoresheet.

It was a set play, many times rehearsed during practice sessions, that gave Cardiff the place in the final. Michael Blackaby took the final kick that travelled over twenty yards and swirled into the roof of the net.

Cardiff High 3 (Jason Rozario, Todd Edson, Michael Blackaby) defeated Whitebridge High 2 (Shayne Williams, Kyle Harper). Referee Mr Bob Dunn. Crowd, 515.

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BELSWANS BEAT WESTY IN EXTRA TIME JOB

BELMONT-SWANSEA UNITED avenged the loss of the 1985 Northern NSW State 1st Division grand final with a 4-2 win on penalty kicks in this year's corresponding game.

Last season Belmont Swansea won the premiership but lost the grand final to West Wallsend 2-1 in extra time.

This time Westy won the premiership by two points from the Belswans, but last Sunday at Macquarie Field after 120 minutes of torrid football the Belswans triumphed.

The two teams remained scoreless at the end of the normal 90 minutes and, when an extra 30 minutes produced no result, the match swung into penalty kicks.

In this period Belmont Swansea's keeper David Connor was the hero. He saved the first and the fourth of West Wallsend's penalties while Dale Robertson, Peter Winsor, Craig Jones and Mladen Lasic gave Belmont-Swan-

BY DAVE WILLIAMS

sea the trophy.

Defences were generally on top throughout and in this facet of the game there was none better on the day than the Belmont-Swansea centre-back Neville Power.

Both sides gave the crowd of about 3000 plenty to enthuse about with their lead-up work, but neither could provide the finisher that was so desperately needed.

Late in the game Graham Hills (twice) and Winsor failed to take advantage of brief lapses in Westy's defence.

At the other end a 25 metre shot from defender John Bullock was heading goalwards only to be deflected for a goal kick and Robbie Green's 30 metre drive had Connor stretching but the ball shaved the crossbar.

The match marked the retirement from First Division football of long-serving referee Alf Rodway, who handled proceedings with his usual authority.



CRAIG GRILLS
(West Wallsend)
In action

Cessnock City won the Second Division grand final by defeating Belmont 3-0.

In the corresponding under 18 match West Wallsend beat Lake Macquarie 1-0.

NATIONAL INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

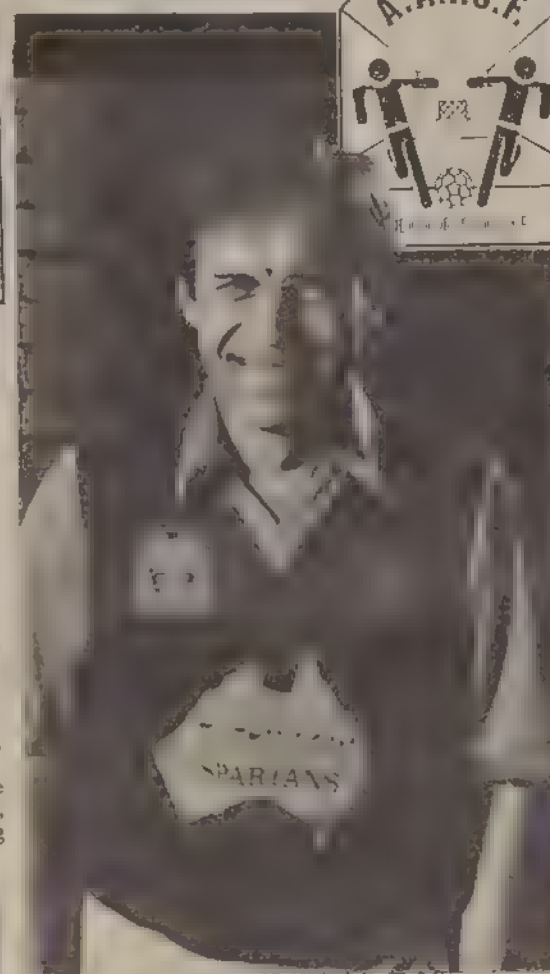
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During the run up to the match ASW is spotlighting the players from both sides.

This week we present Branko Buljevic, Terry Greedy and Andrew Paschalidis.

NOTE: Refer all inquiries to organisers FRANK COLETTA and/or RAY GATT on 660 2033.

BRANKO BULJEVIC: Branko's greatest attribute was, and always will be, his great skill. In using this skill, as well as his natural football brain, Branko regularly created havoc in the opposing defence. Rale Rasic always encouraged him to use his skill and to take on his opponents. He played some absolutely phenomenal games — the best of them against East Germany in the 1974 World Cup finals.

He was top scorer of the 1972 Asian tour, during which he was capped for the first time. After the World Cup his two-goal performance against Benfica in Sydney in 1975 seemed to indicate that his best international days were yet to come.

However, he withdrew from the six-match USSR series in late 1975

due to family commitments and was never given a chance at international level again.

Branko played some senior games for OFK Belgrade in the Yugoslav First Division before coming to Australia to join Footscray J.U.S.T. in 1968.

He scored 79 State League goals for them before being sold to Fitzroy-Alexander (now Heidelberg) in early 1977 for the then record transfer fee of \$12,5000.

Rated as one of Australia's all-time greats by many observers, he played 22 matches for Victoria from 1970 to 1976 — more than anyone else in the 1970-80 decade. He also scored the most goals for Victoria in that time, six.

Nothing pleased him more than scoring two goals against the great Benfica in Sydney, a city in which he was not as well known as in his home base of Melbourne.

NAME: TERRY GREEDY
MEDIA SOURCE: AUST SOCCER WEEKLY
BIRTHDATE and PLACE: 27-8-1955 in Lismore
NICKNAME: Shilton, Chook and Elephant Man!

WEIGHT and HEIGHT: Too fat, too short! — By

Ray Gatt
FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak and Spaghetti Bolognese

FAV MUSIC: Paul McCartney

FAV HOLIDAY RESORT: Steve O'Connor's backyard barbies!

FAV OTHER SPORTS: Badminton and golf

FAV ACTOR/ESS: Steve O'Connor and John Kosmina.

FEARS: Getting a bad backpass from Eddie Thomson!

LIKES: Sex
DISLIKES: Going without

AGE STARTED SOCCER: Long time ago

FAVOURITE TEAM: St George (and also Sydney City!).

YLAST BOOK READ: Eddie Thomson's coaching instruction comic book

GENERAL THOUGHTS ON THE MATCH: It'll be a very close and even game, but with Ted Simmons' tactics at the back we will have a decided edge!

NAME: ANDREW PASCHALIDIS
MEDIA SOURCE: Radio 2GB

BIRTHDATE and PLACE: 7-6-1962 in Balmain

NICKNAME: Alphabet
WEIGHT and HEIGHT: 11 stone and 5ft 7in

FAVOURITE FOOD: Lasagna, Sauviaki and Yeros

FAV MUSIC: Heavy Metal and I can go for Top 40 also.

FAV ACTOR/ESS: Matt Dillon and Peta Toppano

FAV HOLIDAY RESORT: I haven't been on one for a long time actually, but I did go to Hawaii once.

FAV OTHER SPORTS: Indoor Soccer, cricket, golf — most of them really.

FEARS: Losing my job!

LIKES: Beach, summer, women and going out and raging! (No, I haven't been on 'Perfect Match'...yet!)

DISLIKES: Egotistical sportsmen, wet weather and Les Murray! (Only kidding Les!)

AGE FIRST STARTED SOCCER: Seven

FAVOURITE TEAM: Barcelona (Spain) and in England — West Ham and Liverpool.

FAV ALL-TIME PLAYER/S: Pele, Puskas and Billy Bonds.

GENERAL THOUGHTS ON "THE" MATCH: Like most of the Media guys I've just taken out life insurance and written my will. I just hope that I don't get caught in a one-on-one situation with Manny Schaefer!

umns to thank and congratulate SBS-TV Sports and Les Murray for their excellent coverage of Soccer which we have enjoyed since SBS came to the Hunter Valley.

We also appreciate their marvellous and very efficient coverage of the World Cup series, and now we are enjoying the World Nostalgia series.

I wonder if Les can dig up a film of that great team of the 1966-67 season, Glasgow Celtic, the first British team to win the European Cup by defeating Inter Milan in the final 2-1.

Willie Wallace was a member of that great team, christened by the Spaniards the "Lisbon Lions". Celtic's team being Simpson, Craig, Gemmell, Murdoch, McNeill, Clarke, Johnstone, Wallace, Chalmers, Auld, and Bobby Lennox (my nephew), under that great manager Jock Stein.

What a wonderful year it was for the record books of that great team. The European Cup, Scottish F.A. Cup,

Scottish League Cup, Scottish League Championship, Glasgow Cup, and also the Scottish Reserve Cup.

That season they also played Manchester United, the next English champions, and the next winners of the European Cup.

They defeated United 4-1. United's team being Gregg, Dunne, Brennan, Crerand, Foulkes, Stiles, Best, Sadler, Charlton, Laws, and Connelly, proving what a great team Celtic was that season.

I have often hoped, and dreamed of seeing that European Cup final, and that great goal scored by Tommy Gemmell. He hit it on the run from thirty metres after Inter Milan led for 63 minutes, defending desperately after they had scored from a penalty in the first few minutes of the game.

Steve Chalmers scored the winner in the final five minutes.

So, Les, please try and obtain the film of this game for us Scotsmen, and by the way, Willie Wallace scored

DISCIPLINE IS ESSENTIAL

THERE has been a great deal talked and written about in recent weeks in football circles, over the discipline - or in some cases lack of it - in the makeup of some of our players.

At present it is a touchy subject in the ranks of our players and coaches and of course this is understandable.

But before going any further, I would like to make it perfectly clear that I believe that no team can succeed at any level without good discipline both at team and personal level.

However, by the same token, the situation must be put into its proper perspective and

Most coaches - at least those who are worth their salt - know only too well the difference between the basic standard of discipline required for

BY TOM ANDERSON

a professional setup and the petty dogmatic stuff that reduces a football club into a military regime and one that produces only negative responses.

Unfortunately sometimes this difference is not fully comprehended by some club officials, not allowed to get out of hand.

There is nothing that irritates players more than being treated as unruly characters, who need parade ground discipline to keep them in line.

In this touchy subject, there has to be found a level of mutual respect all round to produce the desired end results.

From the players' angle, they must recognise at all times that without team or self-discipline, no footballer can better himself.

Discipline comes in many forms, but behaviour - be it on or off the field, is the key aspect in all this.

If a player behaves badly on the field, a good coach must first of all try to get him back into line by making him aware of his obligations-

to his fellow team members, his team and his club.

Then, if this doesn't work, there's nothing else left for it but a fine or suspension.

However in a well run and well coached club, this should be the last option.

Of course the end line in all this is that players who are enjoying their football and being treated properly at a club, rarely let the side down by bad behaviour.

There are of course a few exceptions to this and football will never be without its 'head bangers'!

But the situation must be kept in its proper perspective at all times.

Indeed it would be true to state that if the modern day player is treated like an adult, he will respond as an adult.

It's - or should be - as simple as that!

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— AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITIES FOR WORLD — CHAMPIONSHIPS —

THE Australian Universities have set the goal of entering a national team in the next World Student Games.

They are to be held in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, in 1987 and national coach Rob Harbour is convinced that a team can be fielded of a standard which will warrant entry.

"University Soccer is due for greater recognition and this is our big chance," he told us.

"At present our Universities team boasts of two National League and five State League players as well as many other very impressive players."

The standard of universities Soccer has marched forward, and much of this improvement relates to the Combined

Australian Universities v Combined Australian Forces series.

This representative match was introduced three years ago, and was played again at Seymour Shaw Park Miranda on Sunday (report to follow).

The Universities Sports Union is grateful to Sutherland Shire Soccer Club for making the ground available and assisting with the arrangements.

winning both cups, the Senior and the Youth in 1984, we would have been in the competition. We feel that we have been cheated.

Jack Mennie, Gateshead West 2290.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Send your letter to PO Box 406 Broadway, NSW 2007.

Please keep them all brief — preferably typed.

LAYING DOWN THE LAW

AS I am a keen follower of your paper, ASW, I was quite surprised to see a mistake in this week's issue (Sept 9).

It deals with the World Soccer Nostalgia and the Manchester United team for the 1968 European Cup Final.

You listed George Best, Bobby Charlton, Alex Stepney, John Aston, Pat Crerand, Denis Law and Brian Kidd.

This is not the entire

team, but here is the full side for that game: Stepney, Brennan, Dunne, Sadler, Crerand, Foulkes, Stiles, Best, Kidd, Charlton, Aston.

Denis Law was injured before the Cup Final and unable to play.

English Fan, Rochdale 4123.

SBS-TV'S TREMENDOUS COVER

NOW that we are nearing the close of the football season, I would like through your col-

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To be held at Lambert Park, Marion St, Leichhardt, every Monday and Thursday commencing 16th September.

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All trials to commence sharply at 6pm.

Trials will be held on the following dates:

U/13's & U/14's

September 15
September 22
September 29
October 6
October 13
October 20
October 27

U/15's & U/16's

September 18
September 25
October 2
October 9
October 16
October 23
October 30



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Wide World of Football



KIWIS IN RAGING STORM OVER PREPARATIONS FOR AUSSIES

THE NZFA and the NZ Rothmans League clubs have been engaged in a violent dispute over the former's late decision to send the national team - the All Whites - over to Fiji last week as the National League reaches its climax.

League contenders Christchurch, Masport, Mt Wellington and National Mutual Miramar were in a rage over the NZFA's out of the blue two-game visit to Fiji, which was suddenly put on in order to be ready to play the Soccercos in November.

Christchurch Brother United coach Iain Marshall called it "criminal". He said: "It is the worst possible time for any tour, it is terrible timing... it is criminal."

Marshall said he wouldn't stand in the way of Gary Lund, Ceri Evans or Alan Stroud, the three chosen from his team, to travel with All White boss Kevin Fallon to the Islands.

"Obviously, the three players concerned are key members of my team and they arrived home on Saturday September 20, the day before our game with Hanimex North Shore.

"If Evans and Lund were injured then I

could find their places in the team.

"But if Stroud was hurt then I would be in trouble. Being a goalkeeper he is in a specialist position and his absence would create a big problem."

Miramar coach Dave



MARK LAWRENSON — big money earner at Liverpool.

Farrington said: "I'm disappointed that the NZFA has produced this hasty tour to Fiji.

"It's a bad time for a tour and I feel sorry for

teams like Christchurch and Mt Wellington who could be badly hit if injuries are inflicted.

"And Nelson, who are desperate to pull away from the bottom of the table, lose two players which won't help their cause."

Mt Wellington were so moved as to release a

press statement when the NZFA proposed the tour.

They placed on public record their opposition to the venture, stating that injuries to their All Whites — and those from other teams involved — would be a serious blow to their title hopes.

RED MONEY!

LIVERPOOL's League and Cup double-winning exploits last season earned the squad \$4.4 million in wages last season — with four players receiving over \$200,000.

The figures just released show that the Anfield men were easily the best paid in the country.

And, despite the record outlay, the club's finances are still in a healthy state.

They reported a loss after tax of \$405,034, but that figure doesn't take into account the \$7 million plus they will receive from Juventus for Ian Rush or their FA Cup Final receipts.

Another \$1 million was allocated to a special transfer fund before the balance sheet was prepared.

One Liverpool player received between \$260,000—\$270,000 and another between \$240,000—\$250,000.

The club will not give a breakdown of individual earnings, but is assumed that player-manager Kenny Dalglish and Rush topped the wages table.

Liverpool, though, believe the players earned every penny.

Chairman John Smith said: "I am sure everyone throughout the country has been captivated by Kenny Dalglish's success in his first season as manager.

"Winning the double is the greatest domestic achievement in the history of the club."

CLEANING UP THE CLUB!

THE ENGLISH First Division newcomers — WIMBLEDON FC — received a bonus for being promoted - they were told that they didn't have to wash their own kit any longer!

And manager Dave Bassett is determined to make it a double clean-up campaign by improving the club's disciplinary record as well.

Wimbledon have been given two washing machines and two dryers by a washing machine manufacturer and Bassett said: "That's the promotion bonus."

Promotion has also earned Wimbledon a

\$600,000 backing from Trumans Brewery, a kit deal with Essex-based Spall Sports, and \$252,000 in season ticket sales.

But Bassett is hoping to match that change of fortune with an improvement in discipline.

Bassett said: "We really tried to do something about it last season and only three silly bookings in the last game pushed us over the top.

"Having to go before the FA has taken some of the gloss off promotion. Last season I fined players \$100 for getting booked for dissent but reduced it for youngsters and first offenders but this year it will apply for everyone.

"It will be \$200 for a second dissent booking and then \$400 for the next and I will keep doubling it. I don't know what we can do about other bookings."



RONNIE WHELAN, another whose wage is high at Anfield.



The World Scoreboard

ENGLISH Div 1: Arsenal 0, Aston Villa 1, Norwich 4, Charlton 1, Coventry 1, Chelsea 2, Nottingham Forest 2, Leicester 1, Tottenham 2, Manchester City 0, Queens Park Rangers 0, Newcastle 1, Wimbledon 0, Southampton 2, Liverpool 1, Watford 0, Sheffield Wednesday 1, West Ham 2, Luton 0, Reading 1, Bournemouth 1, Burnley 1, Huddersfield 1, Nottm Forest 1, Birtles (Nottm Forest) 10, Clarke (Nottm Forest) 7, Rush (Liverpool) 7, Allen (Tottenham) 7.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Notts F	7	5	1	12	7
Norwich	7	4	2	15	11
Liverpool	7	4	1	12	13
West Ham	7	4	1	12	11
Everton	6	3	3	10	10
Coventry	7	3	3	10	12
Sheff Wed	7	3	3	11	9
Wimbledon	7	4	0	8	11
Tottenham	7	3	2	9	11
QPR	7	3	2	9	10
Watford	7	3	1	10	7
Arsenal	7	2	3	2	4
Luton	7	2	3	2	5
Southampton	7	2	3	2	5
Man City	7	1	4	2	5
Oxford	7	1	4	2	5
Leicester	7	1	3	3	6
Chelsea	7	1	3	3	7
Charlton	7	1	2	4	11
Newcastle	7	1	3	4	11
Man Utd	6	1	4	8	4
Aston Villa	7	1	0	6	20

Div 2: Barnsley 1, Plymouth 1, Blackburn 0, Crystal Palace 2, Brighton 2, West Bromwich 2, Derby 1, Millwall 1, Huddersfield 2, Oldham 4, Hull 3, Birmingham 2, Ipswich 1, Sunderland 1, Reading 3, Shrewsbury 1, Sheffield United 1, Grimsby 2, Stoke 1, Portsmouth 1, Bradford 2, Leeds 0, Reading 3, Shrewsbury 1, Sheffield United 1, Grimsby 2, Stoke 1, Portsmouth 1, Bradford 2, Leeds 0.

Div 3: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 4: Exeter 0, Cardiff 0, Hereford 1, Orient 1, Lincoln 1, Southend 3, Peterborough 1, Crewe 2, Rochdale 1, Colchester 0, Swansea 2, Northampton 1, Torquay 2, Aldershot 2, Tranmere 1, Cambridge 1, Wolverhampton 0, Burnley 1.

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Div 6: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 7: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 8: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 9: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 10: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 11: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 12: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 13: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 14: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 15: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 16: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 17: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 18: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 19: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 20: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 21: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

Div 22: Blackpool 5, Wigan 1, Bolton 3, Port Vale 0, Brentford 5, Darlington 3, Bristol City 3, Carlisle 0, Mansfield 1, Bournemouth 1, Middlesbrough 2, Chesterfield 0, Newport 3, Doncaster 2, Notts County 2, Fulham 3, Rotherham 0, Bristol Rovers 1, York 1, Bury 0, Postponed: Chester v. Gillingham, Walsall v. Swindon.

TRANSFER MADNESS STRIKES AGAIN!

AS with every off-season in Britain the transfer market goes wild and last summer the Football League clubs have been involved in 75 major transfers at a turnover of \$37,380,951. This compares with \$21,904,761 from 89 deals, and is the highest summer turnover since \$39,761,903 from 93 transfers in 1980.

It is accounted for by deals agreed in the past three months bringing \$19,642,856 into British football from the transfers of three leading strikers abroad — GARY LINEKER (Everton) and MARK HUGHES (Man.Utd) to Terry Venables' Barcelona who are currently leading the Spanish First Division, and the record British fee Liverpool negotiated with Juventus for Ian Rush.

The long-established trend of Scottish stars moving into English football has been suddenly reversed by Glasgow Rangers under new manager Graeme Souness, who spent more than \$3.5 million on four players from the Football League.

They paid a new Scottish record fee of \$1,726,190 for England centre-half Terry Butcher from Ipswich Town, and set a British goalkeeper record of \$1,428,571 for another England international in Norwich's Chris Woods.

Then they added to that Watford striker Colin West and Northern Ireland defender Jimmy Nicholl from West Bromwich Albion.

Tottenham's new manager, David Pleat, after failing with a bid for Butcher, paid the summer's top English fee — \$1,666,666 for Scotland's Richard Gough. But that was later topped by Everton, who paid \$2,142,857 for Dave Watson from Norwich.

BELOW ARE ALL THE TRANSFERS

Combined Fee

Dave Bowman and Jim McNally — Coventry to Dundee Utd for \$309,524.

Fees to be confirmed

Jimmy Nicholl (WBA to Rangers); Peter Shirliff (Sheff. Wed. to Charlton); Mel Sage (Gillingham to Derby); Scott Sellers (Leeds to Blackburn); Trevor Quow (Peterborough to Gillingham).

Exchange Deals

David Phillips — Man. City to Coventry
Perry Suckling — Coventry to Man City (Coventry also paid £50,000)

Mark Lillis — Man. City to Derby
Trevor Christie — Derby to Man. City (Derby also paid £100,000)

Trevor Putney — Ipswich to Norwich
John Deehan — Norwich to Ipswich

Undisclosed fees

Russ Doig (E. Stirling to Leeds); Ally Dick (Tottenham to Ajax Amsterdam); Colin Douglas (Doncaster to Rotherham); George McCuskey (Leeds to Hibernian); Tim Parkin (Bristol Rov. to Swindon); Lindsay Smith (Millwall to Cambridge Utd.); Martin Taylor (Mile Oak Rovers to Derby); Ronnie Sinclair (Nott'm. Forest to Leeds); Mick Vinter (Mansfield to Newport); Dennis Van Wyk (Norwich to FC Bruges); Mark Whitlock (Southampton to Bournemouth); Osher Williams (Port Vale to Preston); Malcolm Poskett (Stockport to Carlisle).

Free transfers

Gerry Armstrong (WBA to Brighton); David Hodgson (Sunderland to Norwich); Tony Godden (WBA to Chelsea); Paul Mariner (Arsenal to Portsmouth); Gerry Peyton (Fulham to Bournemouth); Phil Thompson (Sheff. Utd. to Liverpool, as reserve team player-coach); Sammy McIlroy (Man. City to Örgryte, Sweden).

Ian Wallace (Sunderland to Marítimo, Portugal); Gary Owen (WBA to Panionios, Greece); Steve Daley (Walsall to Rhyll); Dale Jasper (Chelsea to Brighton); Mark Grew (Ipswich to Port Vale); Alan Biley (Brighton to New York Express); Dale Tempest (Huddersfield to Lokeren, Belgium); Leighton James (Newport to Burnley, player-coach); Terry Cochran (Gillingham to Dallas, USA).

Mickey Thomas (WBA to



GARY LINEKER celebrates. He moved from Everton to Barcelona in the off-season.

Wichita Wings, USA); Tommy Langley (Hong Kong to Aldershot); Phil Bater (Bristol Rov. to Brentford); Ray Daniel (Luton to Hull); Les Chapman (Stockport to Preston); Hamish McAlpine (Dundee Utd. to Raith); Brian Flynn (Doncaster to Bury); Paul Roberts (Swindon to Southend); Alan Curtis (Southampton to Cardiff).

Dave Puckett (Southampton to Bournemouth); Graham Moseley (Brighton to Cardiff); Gary Stevens (Shrewsbury to Brentford); David Gregory (Wrexham to Peterborough); Paul Emson (Grimsby to Wrexham); Garry Hamson (Leeds to Bristol City); Les Berry (Charlton to Brighton); Tommy Williams (Leicester to Birmingham); Mel Eves (Sheff. Utd. to Gillingham); Billy Rodaway (Tranmere to Burnley).

Graham Pearce (Brighton to Gillingham); Bob Latchford (Newport to Aroun Sparta, Malta); Jimmy Rimmer (Swansea to Aroun Sparta, Malta); Bryn Gunn (Nott'm. F. to Peterborough); Kenny Burns (Nott'm. F. to Sutton Town, Notts); David Fairclough (Oldham to Beveren, Belgium).

Under New Management

Twenty-one Football League clubs started the season with new managers. They include London's "top two" — Arsenal having appointed their former player George Graham, from Millwall, and Tottenham now managed by David Pleat (ex-Luton). The new faces:

FIRST DIVISION: Arsenal — George Graham; Coventry — George Curtis (Director-manager); Leicester — Bryan Hamilton (Gordon Milne now general manager); Luton — John Moore; Tottenham — David Pleat.

SECOND DIVISION: Brighton — Alan Mullery; Millwall — John Docherty; Sheff. United — Billy McEwan.

THIRD DIVISION: Carlisle — Harry Gregg; Fulham — Ray Lewington (player-manager); Newport — Jimmy Mullen (player-manager); Walsall — Tommy Coakley; Wigan — Ray Mathias.

FOURTH DIVISION: Burnley — Brian Miller; Cardiff — Frank Burrows; Colchester — Mike Walker; Preston — John McGrath; Southend — David Webb; Stockport — Jimmy Melia; Swansea — Terry Yorath; Wolves — Brian Little.

Among last season's departed managers currently "unattached": Don Howe (ex-Arsenal); Don Mackay (ex-Coventry); Chris Cattlin (ex-Brighton); Ian Porterfield (ex-Brighton); Ian Porterfield (ex-Sheff. United); Alan Durban (ex-Cardiff); Sammy Chapman (ex-Wolves).



MARK HUGHES of Manchester United went also to Barca.

ALL THE BIG MOVES FROM BRITAIN

IAN RUSH's move from Liverpool to Juventus worked out to a staggering \$7.6 million.

PLAYER	FROM	TO	FEE	PLAYER	FROM	TO	FEE	PLAYER	FROM	TO	FEE
*IAN RUSH	Liverpool	Juventus	£3,200,000	KEVIN LANGLEY	Wigan	Everton	£100,000	ANDY BARNESLEY	Rotherham	Sheff. Utd.	£25,000
GARY LINEKER	Everton	Barcelona	£2,750,000	STEVE WALSH	Wigan	Leicester	£100,000	PAUL HAYLOCK	Norwich	Gillingham	£25,000
MARK HUGHES	Man. Utd.	Barcelona	£2,300,000	COLIN GORDON	Swindon	Wimbledon	£90,000	VINCE OVERSON	Burnley	Birmingham	£25,000
DAVE WATSON	Norwich	Everton	£900,000	IAN CROOK	Tottenham	Norwich	£80,000	STEVE ELLIOTT	Walsall	Bolton	£25,000
TERRY BUTCHER	Ipswich	Rangers	£725,000	IAN PAINTER	Stoke	Coventry	£80,000	TERRY BOYLE	Newport	Cardiff	£22,500
RICHARD GOUGH	Dundee Utd.	Tottenham	£700,000	TIM FLOWERS	Wolves	Southampton	£75,000	COLIN METHVEN	Wigan	Blackpool	£21,000
CHRIS WOODS	Norwich	Rangers	£600,000	ROY WEGERLE	Tampa Bay (USA)	Chelsea	£75,000	DAVE WALLER	Crewe	Shrewsbury	£20,000
GARRY THOMPSON	Sheff. Wed.	Aston Villa	£450,000	STEVE CROSS	Shrewsbury	Derby	£70,000	DAVID LINIGHAN	Hartlepool	Derby	£20,000
STEVE WICKS	QPR	Chelsea	£450,000	STEWART EVANS	Wimbledon	WBA	£70,000	DANIS SALMAN	Brentford	Millwall	£20,000
COLIN CLARKE	Bournemouth	Southampton	£400,000	PAUL POWER	Man. City	Everton	£65,000	DAVE MEHMET	Gillingham	Millwall	£20,000
NEALE COOPER	Aberdeen	Aston Villa	£350,000	PAUL CANOVILLE	Chelsea	Reading	£60,000	SCOTT MCGARVEY	Portsmouth	Carlisle	£20,000
ROBERT CONNOR	Dundee	Aberdeen	£350,000	KEITH HOUGHEN	Scunthorpe	Coventry	£60,000	MARTIN PIKE	Peterborough	Sheff. Utd.	£20,000
BARRY VENISON	Sunderland	Liverpool	£250,000	LOUIE DONOWA	Norwich	La Coruna (SPAIN)	£50,000	BOB BOLDER	Sunderland	Charlton	£20,000
MITCHELL THOMAS	Luton	Tottenham	£250,000	TONY FORD	Grimsby	Stoke	£50,000	ANTON OTULAKOWSKI	Millwall	Crystal Palace	£19,000
DAVID SEAMAN	Birmingham	QPR	£225,000	PETER HADDOCK	Newcastle	Leeds	£45,000	DAVID HAMILTON	Blackburn	Wigan	£18,000
COLIN WEST	Watford	Rangers	£200,000	(* Transfer agreed — Rush remains with Liverpool this season)				STEVE JOHNSON	Bristol City	Scunthorpe	£15,000
DAVID HIRST	Barnsley	Sheff. Wed.	£200,000					DAVID MARTIN	Wimbledon	Southend	£15,000
ERIC BLACK	Aberdeen	Metz (FRANCE)	£200,000					TREVOR AYLLOTT	Crystal Palace	Bournemouth	£15,000
NEIL ADAMS	Stoke	Everton	£150,000					RUSSELL WILCOX	Frickley Ath.	Northampton	£12,000
TONY WOODCOCK	Arsenal	FC Cologne (WGERM)	£140,000					RAY WALKER	Aston Villa	Port Vale	£12,000
MARTIN KEOWN	Arsenal	Aston Villa	£125,000					RON GREEN	Scunthorpe	Wigan	£10,000
ALAN BRAZIL	Coventry	QPR	£120,000					DAVE BURGESS	Tranmere	Grimsby	£10,000
KEITH EDWARDS	Sheff. Utd.	Leeds	£120,000					PAUL MADDY	Hereford	Brentford	£8,000
								GRAHAM BARROW	Wigan	Chester	£6,000
								RICHARD O'KELLY	Walsall	Port Vale	£6,000
								DAVID BYRNE	Gillingham	Millwall	£5,000

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the opportunity to purchase either directly and/or indirectly at lower costs overall,

secondly,

the opportunity to promote Soccer in the public market place through endorsements,

thirdly,

the opportunity to secure much needed income for the sport.

